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Special to the "Telegraph"
RANGOON, Oct. 14, (UP).—STORES OF WAR MATERIALS INCLUDING 300,000 GALLONS OF GASOLINE FROM THE UNITED STATES ARE CONCENTRATED AT THE BURMA FRONTIER IN READINESS FOR THE REOPENING OF THE BURMA ROAD ON THURSDAY WHEN CHINA WILL RECEIVE NEW RESOURCES FOR HER WAR AGAINST JAPAN.

"Bombs Dropping Every Few Minutes" MOONLIGHT RAID ON LONDON

Slight Activity During Day
Special to the "Telegraph"
LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—To-night's moonlight attack appeared to be one of the most fierce raids since the beginning of the blitzkrieg over central London according to reports during the first hour in which bombs were dropping every few minutes.

R.A.F. ON THE JOB

Flushing Bombed
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Blenheim bombers of the Coastal Command caused a "series of exceedingly heavy explosions" in a raid on Flushing last night, according to an Air Ministry announcement.
The main line railway junction at the Mole was one of the chief targets and, after a major explosion, fierce fires were caused where the bombs fell, the announcement said.
Other Blenheims bombed Domburg to the northwest of Flushing as well as the Mole at Zebruggen where they dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs.

Nazi Shock Troops In N. Africa

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Nazi circles in Berlin now admit the presence of German soldiers with the Italian troops in North Africa and claim that they are shock troops.
The number of men is not revealed but they are said to form an experimental corps to gain knowledge which will guide the future use of German troops in the tropics.

Bombs on Aerodrome

CAIRO, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—The South African Air Force administered a severe pounding to the Yavello aerodrome in Abyssinia on Saturday night.
A communiqué states that heavy and incendiary bombs fell among the hangars and aerodrome buildings and a machine-gun post was quickly silenced.

Raid on Tobruk

CAIRO, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Raids on Tobruk were carried out on the night of October 12-13 by R.A.F. bombers.
Bombs fell on the target area but it was impossible to ascertain the full extent of the damage.
This is announced in to-day's R.A.F. communiqué.

CALCUTTA, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A sum of £250,000 has been added to the Air Ministry in London by the Government of India for the purchase of Spitfires for the R.A.F.

Harbin Americans To Leave

TOKYO, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—American residents in Harbin are preparing for evacuation, says a Japanese report.
The report adds that the Consul-General at Harbin will possibly be closed following the evacuation which will dispose of the bulk of the Consular business.

Co-operation With Axis Denied By Thai

Special to the "Telegraph"
BANGKOK, Oct. 14 (UP).—The Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Nai Direk Jayanama to-day categorically denied that Thailand is co-operating with the Axis Powers.
He said, "Thailand has not been invited to enter the alliance and has no secret treaty with any of them. There is no question about Thailand helping any war-like aims."

More Bases For The U.S.

In S. America
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—The grant of naval and air base facilities has been discussed between the United States and various South American countries, indicated by Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at a Press conference to-day.

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De Bono In Spain

MADRID, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—The Italian General de Bono went to Seville yesterday. He is going to Italy about the middle of the week.

People Killed

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—German activity over Britain was on a comparatively small scale to-day, being confined to a series of attacks by single aircraft which dropped a few bombs at a number of points in South England and the Midlands.

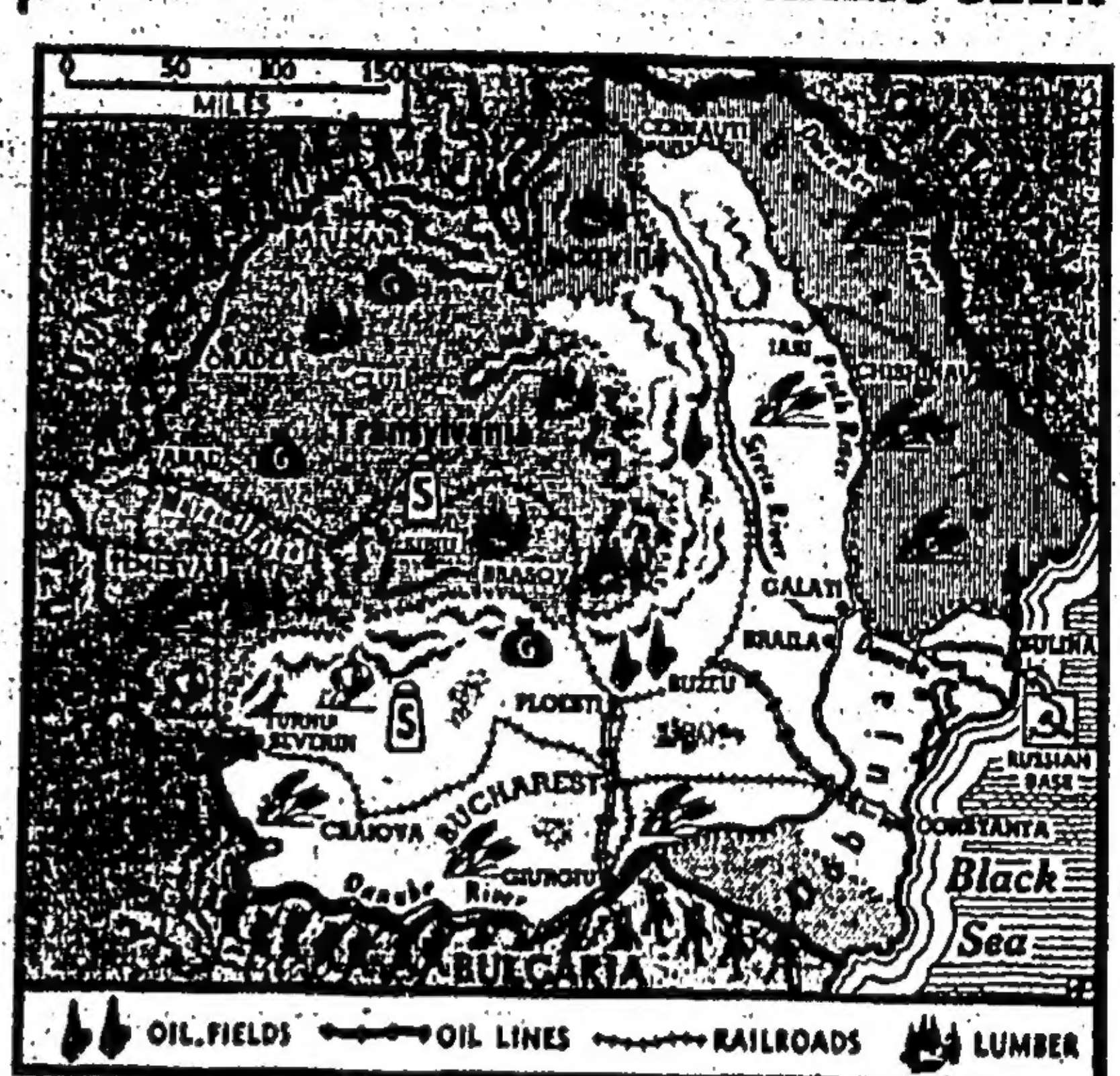
Bomber Shot Down

A large four-engined German bomber was shot down in open ground on the outskirts of London to-day.

Night Brings Raiders

Searchlights in both the outer and inner defences added to the raiders' difficulties.
While searchlights probed the skies, guns poured shells along the courses of the German bombers.
Fire bombs dropped in various parts of the capital caused some outbreaks which were dealt with immediately.

THE OIL FIELDS WHICH NAZIS SEEK



The above map of Rumania shows the oil pipe-line between Ploesti and Giurgiu, oil port on the Danube, in the neighbourhood of which German troops are reported to be concentrated. The other important oil line runs from Buzeu to Constanta on the Black Sea.

BULGARIA AND HUNGARY SHAKEN BY AXIS MOVES

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Reports that German troops are being sent to Bulgaria are denied in an inspired statement issued by the German news agency to-night.
These reports are attributed to British propaganda whose "tendency is to disturb peace, spread disquiet and cause sabotage in south-eastern Europe."
The statement also denies that any negotiations on the subject between Germany and Bulgaria are proceeding.

RUSSIA TO STAY NEUTRAL

Interested In Balkans
MOSCOW, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—That neutrality remains the cornerstone of Soviet policy, as so often asserted by M. Molotov, is again affirmed by the Moscow Press.
The Soviet will continue the policy of neutrality, declare leading organs commenting on the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo alliance.

Only Awaits O.K. By Roosevelt

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Authoritative circles declare that the transfer of some flying fortresses (bombers) to Britain awaits only President Roosevelt's approval.
They said the British Purchasing Mission's request for long range bombers had received favourable consideration.

STOCK EXCHANGE IMPROVE

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, Far Eastern bonds were stronger on hopes of improvement in the international situation.

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Hitler's Volte Face In Balkans

Anglo-Rumanian Rupture Undesired

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LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Neutral diplomats have heard that Hitler has ordered Rumania to avoid any breach in relations with Britain, and to "begin conciliation."

It is now considered extremely probable that a Rumanian-British rupture will be averted. It is reported that the German instructions were given to General Antonescu with a view to preserving some semblance of Rumania's independence. It is expected that Rumania will not see the five Britons who were arrested last week, and whose release the British Minister has been demanding.

Oil Wells Destroyed

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14 (UP).—Three oil wells were completely destroyed by fire to-day in the Rumanian oil fields near Balcoi.

More German Troops

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14 (UP).—About 3,000 additional German troops, comprising the so-called training units, arrived at Buziova and Galatz last night via the Danube river. They are mostly anti-aircraft units.

Britons Evacuate

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Fort members of the British colony at Bucharest and 30 members of the British Legation in Rumania left to-day by train for Istanbul.

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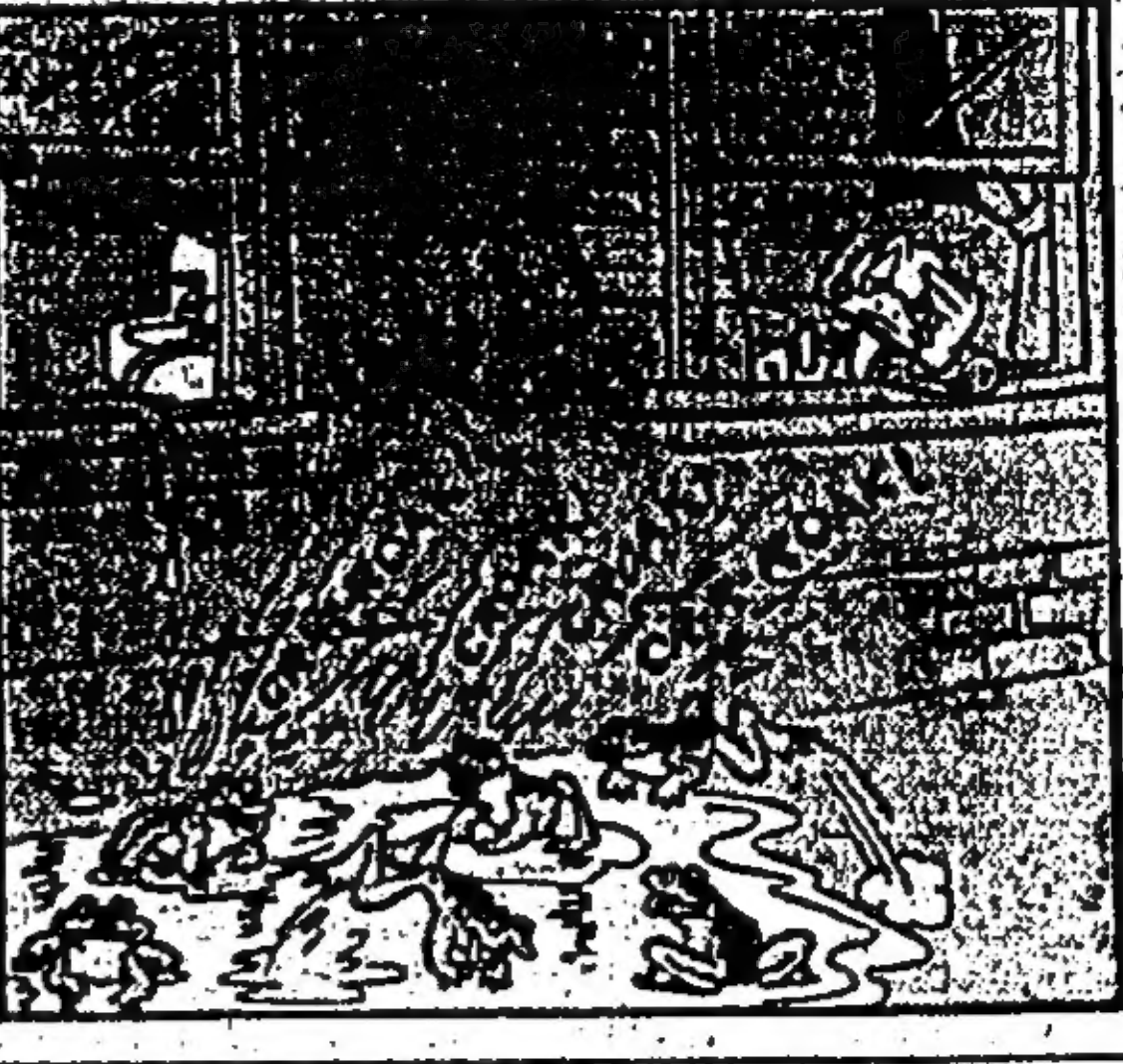
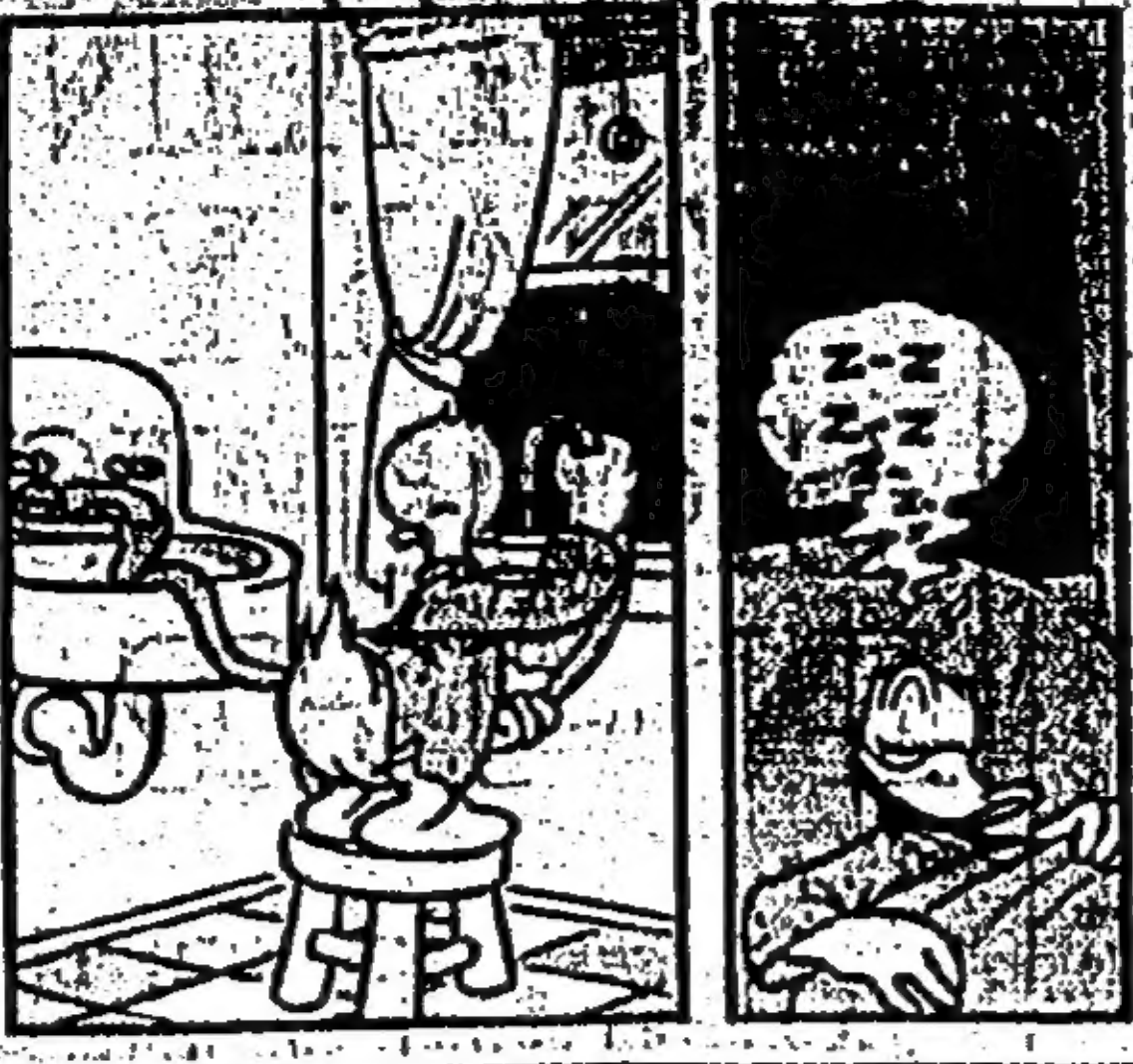
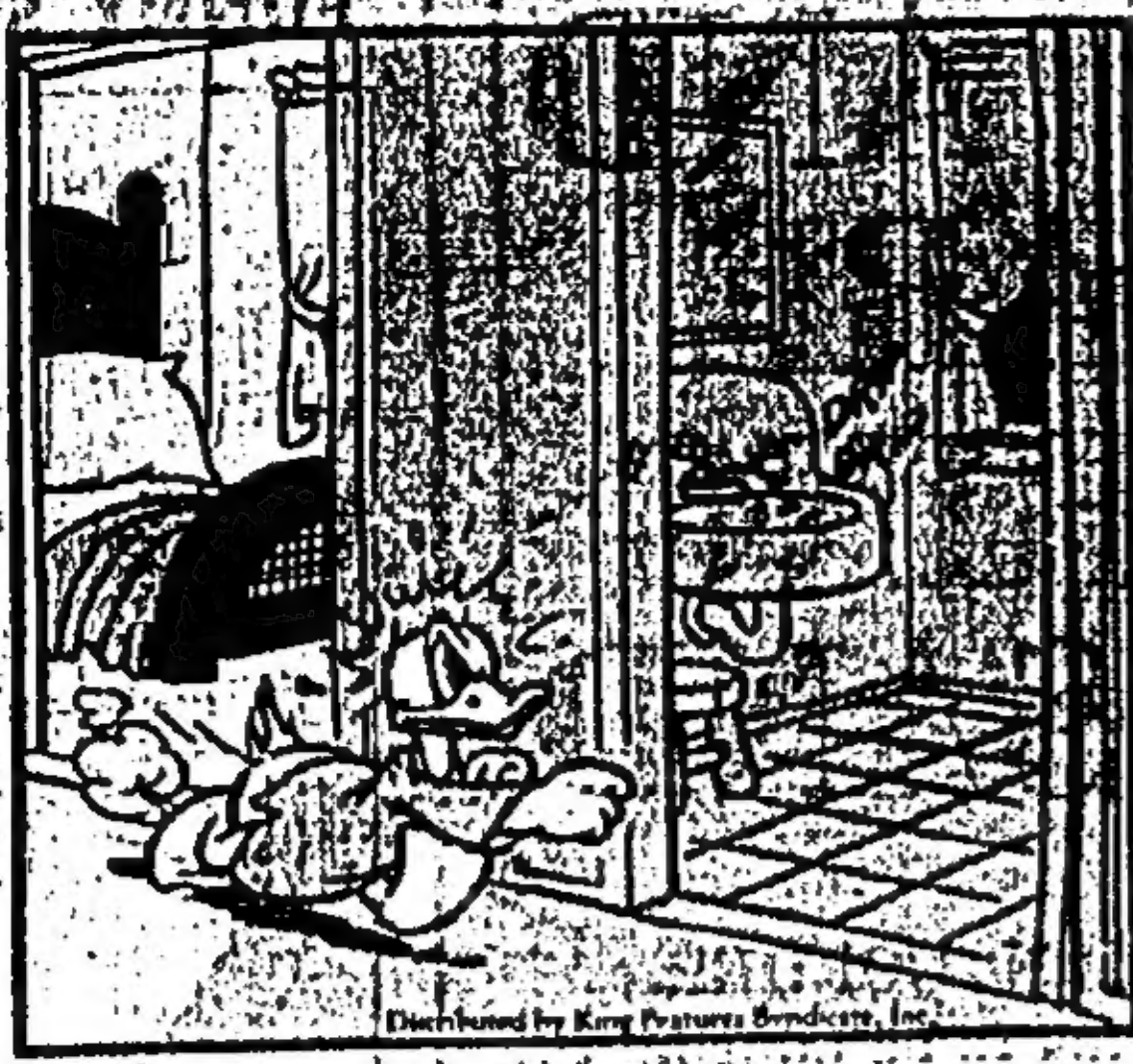
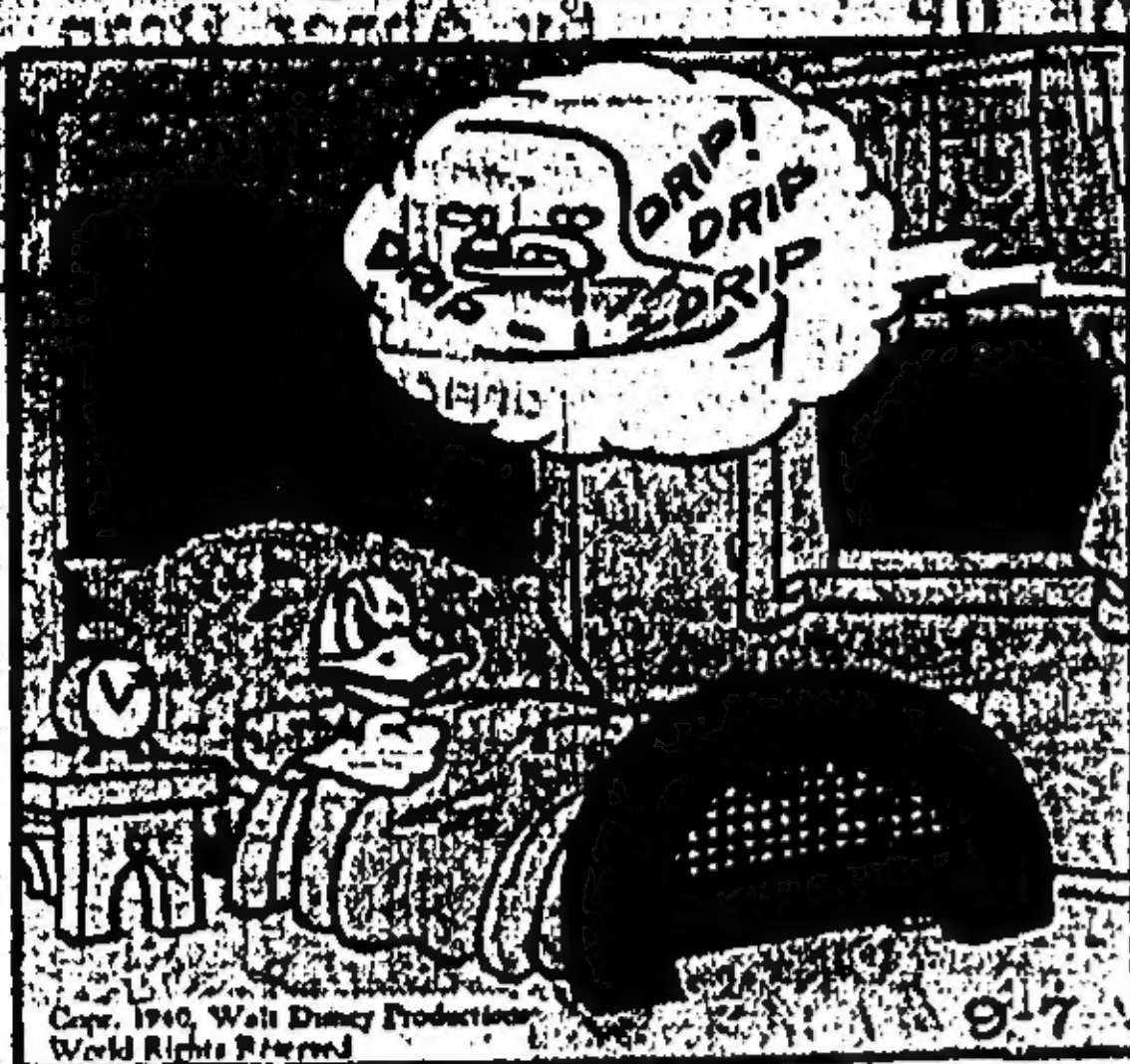
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"We Are Not Alone"

FROM THE NOVEL BY JAMES HILTON

THE hill heaped behind, with the dark shape of the Knoll farther still behind, the gradient spinning them into shadows of cold air under trees, and then into the bright glassy moonlight of the level. And after miles of this, keeping a good rate, David began to whistle in pure enjoyment. He often did so as he went about the country-side at night, and if people heard a whistling cyclist they sometimes said: "But that's the little doctor."

So now he went on whistling till the beginning of Croomsbury Hill made him save his breath, and a few yards higher forced him off his machine altogether.

"This is a steep one," he said, affectionately, to the earth and sky, and then paused in the middle of the road, feeling in his pocket for pipe and tobacco and matches. "But we're doing fine—we'll easily catch the ten to twelve. Are you tired?"

"No, but it hurts my knee a little."

"It's not far now—just through Lissington village and over the next hill. I know all the country around here. You must have been a baby when I first put up my plate. Hundreds of miles away in some German village I've never heard of, you grew up—all unknown to me, all those years—to fall over one night and break your wrist in Calderbury. If you hadn't come here, and done that, I'd never have known you at all. That's a funny thing. And it's funnier still to think that I shouldn't have missed knowing you."

"Some German village, wasn't it? Tell me about it."

"It was a city, really—Konigsberg. My parents both died when I was young and I was sent to school—the school I ran away from."

"We're at the top of the hill now. Better jump on again. We can go on talking." But at the foot of the hill there was a bad patch of road and crossing it too fast and with the added weight the back tire suddenly deflated. "We'll just have to push on and walk," David said. He took the machine through a gate into a field and partly hid it in a hedge-row. Lenz was limping and the Junction lights seemed far away. He put his arm around her so that she might lean some of her weight on him. "Just matter of stepping out," he said, but when still a long way off they heard the train had aimed for puffing out of the station.

They had six hours to wait—no big hardship on a summer night. Half a mile farther on he knew that the side of the road heaped into a dry bed of bracken. There was a big elm growing there. So when they were tired of walking they lay down on the turf and bracken. There are some moments that are hung in memory like a lamp; they shine and swing gently and one can look back on them when all else has faded into distance and darkness.

Dawn came—the dawn of the first day of war. He got up leaving her still sleeping, and walked a few yards to the signpost: "Stamford Magna, 2 miles."

To peace, how many days months, years? The spire of Lissington Church, pecked over the lightning-bolts, day after day, rolling over the little hills, filling the sunken roadways, signposts



"Under arrest for the murder of my wife"



"They're killing us—but we are not alone!"

on the wheatfields, wakening the birds. He roused her and they passed on together. It was ten to six when they approached the entrance to the ticket office. He knew that the train would take them as far as Charlham, where they could buy the tickets and pick up an express for London. They arrived at Charlham at nine-thirty and had breakfast at the Railway Arms. The morning papers had come in, and everyone in the coffee room was talking and prophesying.

Most of the way to London Lenz slept again, but this time the train was crowded and she leaned her head against his shoulder while he talked with the other people in the compartment. He sometimes stole a glance at the head so limp against his arm; it had been a long way to the Junction for her—poor child, let her sleep. But once she half-awakened, roused by the crash of the train in a tunnel, and in the

sudden soft glow of the electric light her eyes melted to his glance. "Du kleiner Doktor," she murmured, dreamily. "Where are we going to? Where are you taking me?" Then she remembered something he had told her—she must not speak during the journey in case anyone should hear her foreign accent.

They reached London in the middle of the afternoon, and as they walked with the crowd on the platform by the sides of the train two men sprang forward and gripped each of them by the arm.

The little doctor watched the autumn sunlight move over the floor, and when the last yellow bar disappeared he knew it was late afternoon and that another day was nearly over. Presently he

heard the Cathedral chiming five, and a warder entered with tea and bread and butter for himself and for the two other warders who had to stay all the time.

According to prison rules, he was never left alone, day or night; but the warders were kindly fellows and tried to efface themselves as much as possible. They played cards or read newspapers or yarned together for hours, not worrying the doctor by their presence, though they were affable enough if he chose to join them for a game. They would not let him wear boot-laces, or braces, or anything he might possibly hang himself with; because, of course, they intended to hang him themselves.

The request that David had made, more than once, was to see Lenz. She was lodged in the jail at Manchester, twenty miles away, where there was more up-to-date provision for women prisoners. He had not seen her since the trial, a month before, and when he tried to remember that last glance he had he could only see the courtroom, dark at the close of an autumn afternoon, grey figures moving restlessly and meaninglessly as rods in a stream, and somewhere, lost amongst them, her strange eager face seeking his in a bewildered stare. What had it all been about?

And he didn't know—the whole proceedings of arrest, police questioning, grand jury, prison, trial—all were shadows of a shapeless fate. They let him read reports of the trial, and by these he now gave a half-incredulous scrutiny. He could not really understand. Then he turned to the current papers and read news that was dark with huge, fantasy—Mons, the Marne, the Aisne

When David heard on Thursday morning that Lenz was to be brought to see him that same afternoon his heart overflowed with anticipation. They let her come in ordinary clothes, the same that she had known whilst balancing on the back of David's bicycle along the Marlham Road. But her face was different from then; she had the little crushed smile that he had seen first of all when he had bandaged her wrist at the Theatre Royal. She came forward, stumbling a little, leaning at last into his arms, as he stood. "Du kleiner Doktor... Oh, du kleiner Doktor..." She began to cry, and all at once it seemed to him that the whole world was crying, crying for lost, impossible love.

Her first words were: "David, whatever you did, I love you, David. I told you that once before, but you took no notice." "What did you tell me?" "The day I danced for you."

"Yes, I remember that, I try to remember everything—I try and I try—but I can't think what really happened." And then suddenly he said: "Lenz—did you—you didn't—you didn't do anything—did you?" She looked at him gravely for a moment and then answered: "No. Did you?"

"I didn't either. Did you think I did?" "I wondered." "I wondered, too." Then he smiled. "Forgive me. How could such a suspicion—"

"But if it's really true that neither of them who?"

"Yes, that's the trouble. That's why they won't believe us. They have to find some answer. And it's so easy to prove things by evidence." She put up her hand and touched his face as a blind person memorizes. "They are going to kill us, David, though we haven't done any wrong at all."

"I know." And he added, seeing beyond her, hundred of miles beyond her: "We are not alone."

"What do you mean?" "These things are always happening. Don't be afraid of death. It isn't the worst we have to face—only the last. No, no, we should fear birth much more if we could look ahead of it. If there's a next world I'll try to find you in it as I found you in this."

"Oh, David—David! Why does it have to happen like this?" Presently a stranger entered the room and piloted his arms with a leather strap; he submitted to this without word or murmur. Then he saw the Governor and the Chaplain standing by. "Good morning," he said and smiled at them. They crossed the gravel walk in the chilly morning air. He stood on a little platform. A white hood was put over his head. The noose slipped over it and he suddenly remembered Lenz, and her little crushed smile, and that she too, at the same moment, in Manchester

"Come with me, go with me, I don't know where, but there are a few of us, we make a good company already, we carry love in our hearts; we are not alone." (To be continued to-morrow)

BRITAIN SEES IT THROUGH

Many small incidents during the sustained air attacks on Britain have shown how coolly the people are facing danger.

The stories—and by no means all are chronicled—illustrate British imperturbability, courage, presence of mind, and good humour.

They increase in number daily. Here are a few of them, taken from the events of one week.

During the heaviest raid so far on one section of the north-east coast miners climbed to the summit of a slag-heap to watch the fighting.

They stood there, cheering and waving their caps, as a British fighter chased an escaping bomber out to sea, engaged it, and shot it down.

A surgeon at a Portsmouth hospital had just started a critical operation

on a woman when a bomb fell close at hand.

Anti-aircraft guns answered. All round, the noise became deafening; but among the confusion, with fighting overhead, the surgeon and his assistants continued their work and ended the operation successfully. The woman is recovering.

A British pilot who was shot down and rescued during one of the battles over the Channel, immediately telephoned his base from a police station. "I shall be back this afternoon," he said urgently. "Don't forget to have a plane ready."

When Dornier raiders appeared over Portland and Weymouth, "like a swarm of bees in the sky," the windows of a chapel in which a children's service was being held were blown out.

The forty children present went into a lecture room at the back of the chapel, and sang hymns until the end of the raid.

Hundreds of people watched a night attack on Croydon. Some stood on the top deck of an omnibus. Soldiers cheered every time a raider fell. Children who had been diving with their father left their car, lay down in a field, and had a good view of the battle.

That night people in a south-east coast town cheered themselves hoarse when an anti-aircraft gun scored a direct hit on a Messerschmitt 109 and sent it flaring into the sea.

At an Officers' Club party for members of the Dominions fighting forces, on Thursday, "Blitzkrieg Day," two chairs were reserved for Hitler and Mussolini. They remained vacant.

Lord Willington read two cables. According to these, Hitler explained: "Get on! According to plan (but was thwarted by our forces)." and Mussolini reported: "All Italian military operations to secret manoeuvres in the Balkans."

people waiting in a public shelter during a raid.

A woman having her hair waved in a hairdresser's refused the proprietor's invitation to take cover, and asked him to continue.

At the time of the first London raid warning on Friday the band of the Irish Guards was playing on Whitehall. When the bandmaster announced that all who wished to take shelter should do so, few people moved; the crowd shouted "Carry on, Bill, and the programme continued."

"You don't come any nearer, Bill," said a man, "a bomb had blown a hole in the roof of the house, and made the furniture dance about."

At one London station a dozen sailors, going on leave, took no notice at all of the air-raid warnings. They stood by the line, waiting for their trains, and when the air-raid sirens were blown, they were also cheerfully obeyed.

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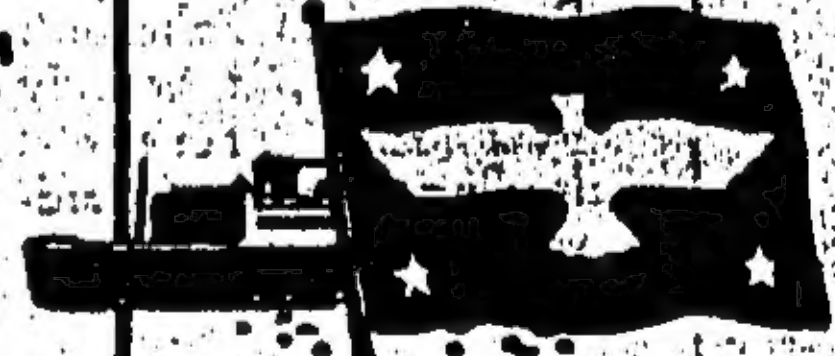
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THE GANDHI TECHNIQUE

MYSTICAL, spectacular Mahatma Gandhi has indicated that he is about to indulge in another of his fasts. This time it is for "freedom of speech"; But his objectives embrace far wider issues. Gandhi has always had one idea in his head—constitutional reforms which would bring India self-government.

The Mahatma still makes this his burning ideal and one respects him for his ardent and passionate consistency. The measure of success which has hitherto attended Gandhi's passive resistance has left his opponents bewildered; but perhaps their bewilderment would be less if they fully appreciated the psychology of the Englishman, who, with his inculcated or borrowed notions of "Cricket," cannot hit a man when he's down. This, of course, is only one contribution to the Mahatma's success. One must also remember that he is pleading a cause, which, in these enlightened days, commands the sympathy of the intelligentsia. What is more, he remains persona grata with the British Government, despite the inconveniences to which he has subjected them.

At the present moment Gandhi has added another string to his bow. While willing to concede the righteousness of Britain's fight against Nazism, Gandhi and his Congress Party have seized the opportunity to insist that India, fighting for the old order, is not enough. Gandhi and Congress argue that India is willing to fight for the British Empire providing the Imperial Government is prepared to state, unequivocally, what India's position is to be after the War is over. The Mahatma has so far received no satisfaction to this query; Lord Linlithgow has offered a palm leaf, which Gandhi and his adherents have turned down.

This latest fast threatened by Gandhi suggests that he is again turning to the old technique for gaining his ends. But he will be well advised to realise that the Mother Country, immersed in a life and death struggle for

BRITAIN AND ITALY ARE SKIRMISHING IN THE SAND

ON THE LIBYAN BORDER.

A Libyan border sandstorm seems to be pouring the whole desert into the little headquarters tent where I sit writing. Outside it would be 115 degrees in the shade if there were any shade. The whole camp, with its mixture of armoured vehicles and Army lorries, is covered by a pall of whirling, biting dust that cannot be kept out of ears, eyes, or boots.

Before the sandstorm I had seen more little phases of the desert war. Passing from advance camp to advance camp in the early dawn, with a wet mist still in the air, I watched scattered fighting groups carrying hostilities into Mussolini's fly-ridden desert colony.

This is not the primitive war you might expect. It is most modern. You seldom see camels, or mules, or native soldiers.

Instead there are tanks, armoured cars, and aeroplanes, and even before these can combat an enemy they must combat desert conditions.

British forces are scattered in these motorized units over most of the Egyptian western desert area. Each fighting unit makes its own front line.

The Italians have not ventured into Egypt over the barbed wire which forms the frontier. The British armoured car patrols move into Libya through "breaks in the wire," spaces cut through at certain strategic points, and they may patrol the whole day through seeing nothing.

The expanse of desert imposes the same remote existence upon the Italians as upon the British, and the men consider it a lucky break when they encounter an Italian tank or two. Their cars, faster and fitted with good anti-tank guns, zigzag about the usually retreating tanks and let them have it.

The gunner is allowed one hit one shell, and he usually succeeds. I watched a chase during which every shot was a hit, and looking inside the tank afterwards I noted the devastating result of the anti-tank bullets, which had splintered into a million fragments on piercing the tank walls.

Eyes in the Air

The Italians have been trying their air weapon against the patrol cars, but not with the success expected. Their technique is to catch a small group of armoured cars in the open desert with a large flock of planes repeatedly diving and dropping incendiary bombs and tracer and armour-piercing bullets.

Cars fight back as they zigzag across the desert. The Italians consider their air weapon the best thing they have got against tanks and cars. A thing high up has the advantage in this

the freedom of speech which is the ostensible object of his fast, is, perhaps, not so likely to regard his new threat with that sentimental horror which gained for him such spectacular victories. We sympathise with India and her anxiety for the future, but we also appreciate that even India and her problems cannot take first place over the task confronting the Mother Country—that of winning the war against the tyranny of dictatorships.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



"We'll have to lay you off, McGillicuddy... we're cutting double features!"

among British troops is low. evening air; two twos and a three Italian prisoners have revealed that they have had a much tougher time. Their worst illnesses come from sores which fasten on to any scratch. Flies infect the scratch and cause prolonged festering.

The trouble in this war is that only the skilled observer knows what is going to happen next. As witness my experience at an observation post lately. The observation post was just over a sand ridge.

I followed the marked rocks between the sage-brush, groping forward, with a tin hat on the back of my head. Flies crawled about my nose and sand swirled around my eyes. From somewhere behind I heard a battery roar in the

Message for the Major

I stooped beside him and peered out upon the barren desert, but there was nothing in sight but a few poles, a burnt-out Italian plane, and a truck.

"I thought I should see something," someone said. He was young, sandy-haired, slight-bearded, with sun sores on the back of his hands and a captain's pips on his shoulder. "Anything doing?" I asked, straightening up.

"Keep down. They can see you when you do that. Yes, there will be something doing." He was crouched before a break in the sandbags, with field glasses before his eyes. The roar of our guns was intensified. "Funny," the captain said, "the Italians haven't replied yet."

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AUGMENTED AIR FLEET Pan American Plan New Schedules

Effective on January 1, Pan American Airways schedules between the east coast of South America and the United States will be further reduced to provide a two-day service between New York and Rio de Janeiro, and additional schedules in effect doubling present capacity, will be inaugurated on all main air routes between North and South America.

Establishment of the new 48-hour service to Rio de Janeiro will institute the first eight-and-a-half day flying on the inter-American air route, while delivery in January of twenty additional high-speed landplane transports to the Pan American fleet will complete the change-over from seaplane to landplane transports on the majority of inter-American routes.

The schedules planned for inauguration in January contemplate the operation of daily service between the United States and Puerto Rico; a daily service from the United States through Mexico and Central America to the Panama Canal Zone; a four times weekly service over the trans-Caribbean route to Colombia and the east trans-Caribbean route to Venezuela, together with ten daily schedules between Miami and Havana, and three daily schedules between Miami and the Bahamas.

With the new schedule in operation, Pan American Airways will provide 137 departures weekly for Latin America, while the augmented air fleet will provide capacity for 800,000 passengers between the United States and Latin America annually. Capacity will likewise be increased proportionately for airmail and express cargo.

Bulgaria And Hungary Shaken

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Middle East are being watched with close attention here.

Spaniards often express the view that unless the Axis Powers can quickly and successfully carry out an attack upon Egypt, occupation of Rumania will be Germany's disadvantage.

This view is based on the belief that Britain will lose no time in bombing the Rumanian oil wells.

Rumania is openly referred to in the newspaper, "Hoja Oficial Del Lunes," as "collaborator with the Axis."

Turkey Defiant

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Commenting on the German "putsch" into Rumania, the Turkish newspaper "Tan" says that the most important factor to prevent the Germans from even dreaming of a route south-east through Anatolia, is the presence of invincible Turkish forces at the frontier.

The paper also suggests that Soviet Russia will not allow the Dardanelles to pass into other hands.

Italians To Help

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—In addition to German troops building a base at the Rumanian port of Mania, it is now reported that Italian engineers are expected shortly at Constanta to begin construction of a seaplane base.

Nazi Propaganda For Peiping

"Bombing Of London"

PEIPING, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Exemplifying the way German propaganda is encouraged here, Chinese handbills were dropped on Saturday, presumably from Japanese planes, with a lurid picture headed "German Planes Bomb English Capital."

The picture, highly imaginative, shows the Tower of London in flames, the sky full of German planes and the river full of sinking boats.

The text at the bottom reads: "Several thousand German planes bomb Britain. Sections most severely bombed and burnt are an essential part of London."

Doubtless pointing to the picture as a moral, the text adds that foreign assistance to General Chiang Kai-shek has now failed.

According to reliable sources, the French Embassy is shortly returning here and re-opening permanently.

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EXPOSURE BY SWEDISH NEWSPAPER INVASION OF NORWAY PLOTTED FOR YEARS

THE NAZIS' PRETENCE THAT THEY WERE FORCED TO INVADE DENMARK, NORWAY, HOLLAND AND BELGIUM TO PROTECT GERMANY FROM THE AGGRESSIVE DESIGNS OF THE ALLIES IS EXPOSED BY AN ARTICLE BY PER NYSTROM IN THE SWEDISH NEWSPAPER GOTESBORGS HANDELS- OCH SJORFORTS TIDNING.

Nystrom says that the practical work for the overrunning of Norway began as long ago as 1936, or perhaps even before then. He goes on to say:—

In the autumn of 1936 preparations had gone so far that the then War Minister of Germany, General von Blomberg, thought the time ripe to find out what bagges could be set up.

Gaining the permission of the Norwegians for a pleasure trip during October (when the autumn storms had already begun) he visited a number of places.

With him were twenty higher military officials. Attention was attracted by the fact that the Minister's pleasure boat sailed into Narvik, permission to visit which had neither been asked nor given.

The notabilities of the little town, flattered by the visit, arranged a social trip for the German officers along the iron-ore railway.

The Norwegian General-in-Command, Erichsen, thought this reconnaissance worthy of a report, extracts of which later appeared even in Swedish newspapers.

He Was Expelled

From that moment the German Fleet began to carry out systematic exercises near Norwegian territorial waters, and every now and then entered actual Norwegian territory.

In the spring of 1937 two light cruisers passed without permission, and without a Norwegian pilot, through Karmund, a difficult strait between Haugeund and Karmoya.

At the end of July four German minelayers suddenly sailed into the roadstead of Bergen without the permission of the Norwegian Defence Department.

During this summer Witalis Panzenburg, a well-known German military writer and engineer, showed such an interest in the harbour of Narvik that he was expelled, despite the warm recommendations he held from Colonel Sundlo, commandant of the town.

During 1938 new German naval bases, airfields, and barracks had been built within the Belt.

Perfect Plans

The Danish Government ceased making even formal protests in Berlin about the perpetually recurring air and sea exercises within Danish territorial waters.

Nystrom concludes that the plans for the attack on Denmark and Norway had been worked out to the smallest detail.

He mentions a peaceful cruise through Scandinavian waters in the summer of 1938 by Goering, who paid a visit to the grave of Hamlet on July 24.

"The same day," says Nystrom, "the Scandinavian Foreign Ministers concluded a conference in Copenhagen concerning the legal character of the League of Nations sanctions. That was their form of realism."

AMERICAN FREIGHTER Sea Witch Arrives On Maiden Voyage

The Sea Witch, first of four new C2 class motorships constructed by the United States Maritime Commission under the auspices of the American Pioneer Line, arrived in Hongkong from Shanghai and America yesterday on her maiden voyage to the Orient.

Built by the Tampa Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., in Florida, the Sea Witch has accommodations for only dry cargo, but also liquid cargo, such as lubricating and edible oils. She has an overall length of 459 feet, breadth of 63 feet, and a gross tonnage of 6,222 tons. There is no passenger accommodation.

The quarters of the Captain, Chief Engineer, and other members of the crew are extremely well appointed. There are not only steel lockers, bed reading lights, overhead air ducts and other refinements, but each crew bedroom has its own lavatory, a feature not often found in such quarters.

Other Equipment

Among the vessel's special features are its refrigeration, furnished by the Carrier Corporation; its cargo ventilation, which is so designed that it may be operated in the severest weather; and two metal lifeboats on the boat deck, with apparatus which enables either boat to be operated by one person. The ship itself is constructed of welded plating.

Commanded by Captain Samuel A. Lee, the vessel averaged 18.9 knots on the voyage down from Shanghai. With two nine-cylinder engines developing 6,000 h.p., the hydraulic couplings, totally enclosed in a steel housing, transmit power from the engines to the gears and thence to the propeller shaft. It is possible to place one engine out of service for repairs at sea, while the ship continues under the other engine.

The Sea Witch is expected to continue on her voyage to Melbourne, Australia via the Philippines, to-morrow.

TUNNELS SAVED HUNDREDS

Ramsgate is Glad it Spent

EVERY man, woman and child in Ramsgate is saying the same thing: "Thank goodness we built the tunnels." When the German raiders poured 250 high-explosive and incendiary bombs on the town many houses were destroyed or made uninhabitable, and others had windows broken, roofs stripped, or ceilings shaken down.

But the number of casualties, compared with the damage done, were astonishingly few.

The 3½ miles of tunnels, 70 feet deep, cut through Ramsgate's chalk foundation just before war began, at a cost of £60,000, were the reason.

As soon as the sirens went off thousands of people poured into the tunnels by 23 different entrances. Then, while A.A. guns rained and bombs crashed overhead, they waited, confident of their complete safety.

Lights Out

When a bomb damaged an electric cable, and the lights went out, a few women screamed, but hurricane lamps were quickly brought.

Ramsgate's peace-time population is 34,000. The tunnels can hold 60,000. They saved perhaps hundreds of lives.

Housewives cooked for homeless neighbours in both Portsmouth and Ramsgate. And in Ramsgate the Sunday joints were cooked on oil stoves and coal fires because the gas-works were so badly damaged that there was no gas in the town.

The townspeople quickly set about tidying up the place. Streets strewn with the debris of wrecked homes were swept clear.

Children were laughing and playing in the streets while demolition squads searched wrecked homes.

Cinema Bombed

Mr. C. E. Lilley, a newsagent, was on his rounds when his wife was killed.

"She always went into the shelter for a raid," he said, "but this time she had two customers in the shop and wanted to serve them before she took cover."

Next day Mr. Lilley delivered to his customers Sunday newspapers describing the raid.

A retired corporation employee was blown into a public-house doorway and killed. The licensee was serving customers as usual the following morning.

A one-legged A.R.P. warden was killed on duty when the porch of a house fell on him.

Next door, Mrs. Woodward, aged 77, escaped unharmed though the rest of the avenue of houses was demolished.

A Southsea boy crouched between his father's legs in a bombed basement during the raid on Portsmouth. When a rescue party, led by a naval lieutenant, arrived, he said: "It's all right. I'm quite safe, daddy." The man had placed himself over his son, when debris fell around them.

One bomb fell on a cinema, but there was a small audience. Eight people were killed, including two women and a child. Others were injured.

A Baptist church was partly wrecked, but the people in the shelter of the back escaped unhurt.

Broken Vow To Holland

More Workless

News from neutral sources reaching London indicates that there is a marked deterioration in economic life in the Netherlands under German occupation.

The Germans had promised that they would not hamper Dutch economic development as far as was compatible with German war economy. But, in fact, everything is being done to adjust Dutch economic life to Nazi war needs.

Undertakings which can contribute to these needs are fostered; the others are left to themselves to face greatly changed circumstances. Unemployment is mounting following the demobilisation of the Dutch Army.

Transport is difficult, as is evidenced by the Germans themselves. It is to be assumed that the R.A.F. is partly responsible for this.

Another German promise was that political life in Holland would be left undisturbed. The worklessness of this promise was proved by the

Scores New Film Scoop

Rey Scott's Adventures In China's Interior

Back in town after a series of fascinating and exciting adventures in search of new and dramatic pictures of little known China, is Rey Scott, ace American cameraman, whose pictures of the Canton and Chungking air raids provided a worldwide scoop.

Scott sails for the United States to-morrow to show what he feels certain are the most spectacular films ever taken of air raids—the bombing of Chungking on September 10 and described as the worst raids the Chinese capital has ever experienced.

Nearly Killed

In addition Scott has during the past few months travelled into Tibet, pictured warfare between the Chinese and Mohammedans in the mystical northwest China and secured the first pictures of the famous Lake Kokoner. He also narrowly escaped death when the lorry on which he was travelling suddenly ran over a 100-foot embankment, hurling one man to his death and causing injuries to seven others. Scott escaped unscathed by leaping off the top of the lorry as it was turning over the embankment.

'Last Men' To Escape From Paris

Probably the last British resident of military age to leave German-occupied Paris, Mr. C. F. Bertoncini, has just arrived back in London.

He told the story of his escape from what he described as being then a "dead city."

"For a week after the German occupation," he said, "I stayed indoors most of the time. Then, with a Dutch officer who had escaped from Holland, I made plans to escape before I was interned."

His escape began after I had booked two tickets at the Gare du Lyon to Moulins, the border town between occupied and unoccupied France.

"I managed to slip past the German guard at Moulins station after a French soldier had declared that my identity card was insufficient. It was an awkward moment until I said, flourishing my card: 'Prefecture' (of Police) and he said: 'Pass.'"

Slipped Over Bridge
"Early next morning, minus hats or coats, we visited the bridge across the Ailier which led to safety, and where German soldiers were inspecting permits."

"We awaited an opportunity to slip across. A truck from the French side was held up for inspection at the same time as two cyclists from the German side."

"Calmy we sauntered along the bridge. Half-way across we heard the sentry who was examining the cyclists papers shout 'Halt, halt!'"

"We halted. My friend waved an umbrella and made as if to return. The sentry continued his inspecting papers, and we went on, and reached unoccupied France."

"From Marseilles we reached the frontier at Cerbere and next day I was in Barcelona. Helped by British Consul, I went on to Madrid, and then by Lisbon, where after two weeks I sailed for Liverpool in a Japanese boat."

Appointment of a Dutch Nazi as trustee for the Dutch Socialist party. Steps are now being taken to found a political party, but the Germans have made it known before-hand that they will not accept political leaders of an old regime.

INDICTS HITLER U.S. Journalist's Broadcast

Mr. F. T. Birchall, of the New York Times, and chief European correspondent of that paper from 1934 to 1939, in a broadcast recently said that Hitler, surrounded by the strongest array of mechanized slaughter-machines ever gathered together for murder, in the bombastic fashion common to his every utterance, had graciously offered to give us peace—on his terms—if we would ask for it.

Mr. Birchall, who is a British subject, asked Hitler whether he remembered Munich. He recalled the evening in the Fuhrer House, when Hitler, Mussolini, Chamberlain, and Daladier sat around the table in his private office carving up Czechoslovakia under his pretext of liberating the Sudeten Germans from democratic rule.

Our statesmen had believed him, but he had lied to them.

"No, Herr Hitler," said Mr. Birchall, "we cannot afford to make peace with a liar, gangster, and assassin who is not fit to be on the Committee of Nations."

We are aware that Germany is strong, as the result of five years' intensive preparation, while we were refusing to believe that you would really loose the dread spectre of war upon your own people and upon the world.

But, in fact, for more than five years you have been getting ready. I remember that Berlin had its first black-out in March, 1935, long before any of us ever thought of black-outs.

And about the same time I saw decontamination squads in asbestos clothes with all the necessary apparatus practising through streets of poison gas. We had never thought of using poison gas on civilian populations—it was only your mind.

I know that the German Army is more completely equipped mechanically just now than ours can be, or hope to be for some time. I saw your army in action, not in war but all ready for it.

I know, too, that German food has been augmented by supplies looted from the invaded countries since. The people in north countries will be hungry this winter for lack of the food that you, Hitler, have stolen; and you will probably make those countries cry to the world for help in the name of humanity. If the world answers you will probably also steal what the world sends them."

Quicker Plan For Gun Production

LONDON, Aug. 20.

Trainer planes for the R.A.F. are now being made under a system which it is claimed is being used for the first time in Britain.

The system called "track assembly line" is used in the final stages of construction. It is also said that changes recently made in the design and finish of the Bren gun will, it is believed, eventually increase the output of these weapons by 20 per cent for a given number of hours of labour.

It will also reduce the number of machine tools required. Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply, in announcing these changes said they would in no way lessen the efficiency of the weapon.

KING IN EXILE Inspects His Loyal Troops

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A silk dog which he had received recently as a gift from Norwegian women in England on his 68th birthday was presented by King Haakon of Norway to the Norwegian forces to-day when he visited their training camp somewhere in Great Britain.

Norwegian troops in Great Britain have already for some time past taken part in local defences and have been used by the British Army Command for several military operations.

Apart from the army, there are also Norwegian naval units serving with the British coastal defence and in convoy protection. These were also inspected by King Haakon.

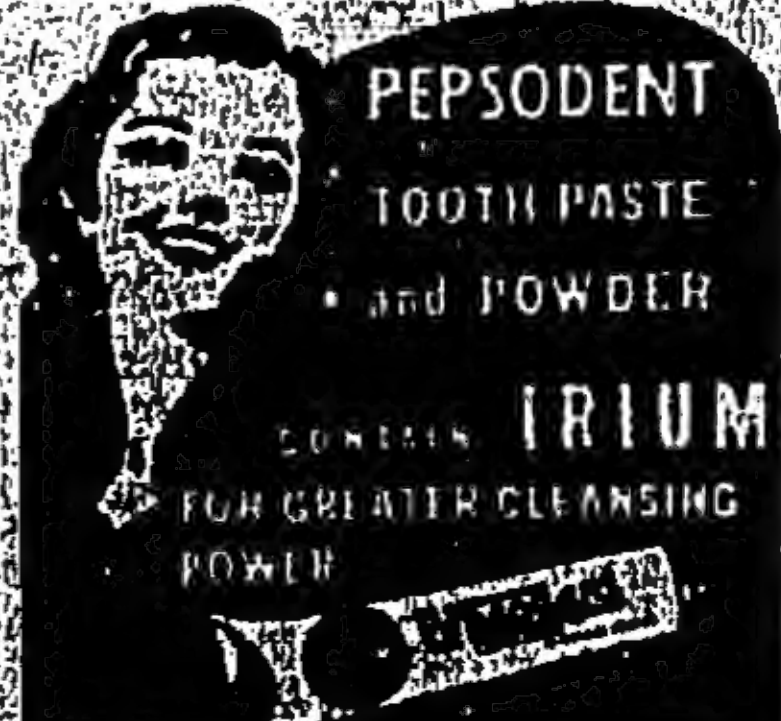
Bias Bay Landing Attempt, Radio Story

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Japanese warships have tried and failed to land parties of troops at Bias Bay, according to the Moscow radio.

Even the use of aircraft and artillery failed to help the Japanese to gain a footing.

Japanese Bombing

CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Three batches of Japanese aircraft, totalling 39 machines, raided Eastern Szechuen on Sunday afternoon, bombing Liangshan, north-east of Chungking.



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A WAITING MANILA'S DECISION

Hongkong Unable To Proceed With Interport Arrangements Until Acceptance Is Final

(By "Ripple")

THOUGH TIME is running short, the situation as regards the interport with the Philippines is still somewhat obscure. The recent trend of events in the Far East has given rise to certain alarm, and with the advice to American nationals to quit if their presence here is not absolutely necessary, American interests in the Philippines are hardly likely to grant permission for others to come in.

A cable has been received by Mr. A. O. Barretto, Hon. Secretary of the V.R.C., from the P.I. stating that the P.A.A.F. is awaiting a reply from Washington to a cable requesting advice.

And so, Hongkong, perform, must wait too.

It will be a great pity and a greater disappointment if the meet is cancelled. Swimmers and swimming enthusiasts are keyed up for the interport. Anticipations are running high, which is but a consequence of the recent record-breaking Championship meet.

There is no guising that the Colony has as fine a team of swimmers as it has ever had, if not finer, and though it is hardly likely that standards will change much over a year, except to probably improve, the removal of the Filipino swimmers has been much talked about and people here would like nothing better than see the outcome of a meeting between the two as soon as possible.

Several people find it difficult to imagine that Chan Chun-nam could improve on his showing this year, and while he is at the possible peak of form is another reason why the Colony is anxious for the meet to take place.

The Manila team has been chosen, and is scheduled to sail on Saturday and arrive here at the beginning of next week. Let us hope that the reply they receive from Washington will not alter that decision.

Hongkong should receive information at any moment. It may even be included in the press before it goes to press, so let's cross fingers.

ARE there any further distance records for Chan Chun-nam to break?

Having broken the quarter and half-mile records in the Colony Championships—both of which had stood for five years—he went one further on Friday last and bettered the time for the cross-harbour race, and this latter was a record that had stood the onslaught of all the years since its inception.

That same evening in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. pool in the championship events he bettered the 5-year-old China National record for the 400 metres by 8½ secs., setting a new, though unofficial, figure of 5 mins. 25 secs.

And then in the same pool on Saturday night he broke the National record for the 1,500 metres free style returning a new unofficial time of 21 mins. 37½ secs.—which is over one minute better than that of 22 mins. 52½ secs., the official record set up by Yeo Jui-mok at the China National Meet in 1935.

Chan has truly had a brilliant year. His triumphs have been even greater than those of W. Lawrence in 1935.

OUTSTANDING discovery among the women is undoubtedly Miss Celeste Gutierrez. Her convincing victory in the quarter-mile championship was no portent of what she was to do in the harbour race. It was conceded that she had an excellent chance of success, but it was never thought that she would break the 1933 record held by Miss Doris Hunt.

In this, however, she shares the picture with Miss Li Po-luen, the brilliant breast-stroke swimmer from South China A.A. There was a great race between them.

Miss Gutierrez employed the crawl all the way across, and Miss Li the breast-stroke. Only three yards separated them at the finishing wall. Incidentally, I had heard that there was to be a protest over the race, but nothing has been received by the Committee, so I presume it was just another of those rumours in circulation.

MISS Ko Miu-ling, too, retains her championship sparkle. Having equalled the China National Record once this year for the 50 metres, on Thursday she broke it by 2/5 sec.

She and Miss Ho Wai-ling have both timed 30 seconds for this distance this year, which time is equal to that set by Miss Young Sau-ling in 1935, but this is the first occasion on which it has been bettered. There are all reasons for hoping that the interport meet will evenuate.

Hockey

Eleven Teams In Shanghai Women's League

THE SHANGHAI Ladies Hockey Association annual league will swing into action on November 25 with no less than 11 teams taking part. It was revealed at the Annual General Meeting of the Association held at the Y.W.C.A. recently.

Shanghai ladies' teams, however, will be beginning active play immediately when the Race Course grounds are thrown open on October 18.



The start of the four-men freestyle relay at the Volunteer Defence Corps annual swimming sports at the Army Pool on Saturday—Ming Yuen.

Racing

Handicaps And Entries For Ninth Extra

Following are the entries and handicaps for the Ninth Extra Race Meeting to be held at Happy Valley on October 18:

Hongkong Grima Cup Handicap (1¼ miles)—Distinctive Time (155), Dupont Day (158), Eve of Polly (160), Eve of Reason (160), Gay Star (151), Greber (145), Johnner (147), O-Lan (168), Oonagh (140).

Nullah Nullah Handicap. "B" Class. First Section (one mile)—A Great Time (150), Cockier (150), Contact (157), Criffo (155), Faye Chance (152), Flying Dutchman (152), Franklin (151), Income Tax (144), Princess Clara (140), Spring-hurst (149), Triumphant Day (149), Vixen Tor (145).

Wentworth Handicap. "D" Class. From the two mile post, once round & in.—Caterick Bridge (163), Colorado Star (140), Discovery Bay (157), Forehand Drive (140), Lovely Kid (133), Nancy Lee (133), Purnell (135), Quick Despatch (147), Sea Urchin (133), Zartan (137), Witnie (140).

Wyndham Handicap. "D" Class (1¼ miles)—Avon (145), Bear Claw (150), Blue Diamond (140), Conquering Time (157), Devonian (135), Lancashire Chips (153), Many Thanks (151), Melody Star (147), Sparrow (152), Tornado Star (143), Vanish Fair (145), Viceroy (160).

Ballerat Handicap. "C" Class (1¼ miles)—A Green Time (153), Amber L. (153), Brecon (150), Centre Court (160), Cheerful Star (150), Conqueror (157), Star (145), National Victory (147), Pleadably Jim (159), Ruby Star (140), Shuttlecock (152), Spring Star (143), Stratherrick (155), Surprise Star (153), Twilight Star (147), Venus Bay (153), Warrero River (152).

Nullah Nullah Handicap. "B" Class. Second Section (one mile)—Ajaz (151), Annabella (155), A Roaring Time (157), Australian Prince (147), Brown Derby (147), Bruno (140), Derby Day (150), Double Finesse (150), Happy Landings (145), King of the Desert (145), Pump-ernick (145), Sea Jay (152), Winfield (152).

Kwanzung Handicap. "C" Class. From the two mile post, once round & in.—Advancing Time (150), Attacking Time (150), Blue Field (145), Blue Gate (150), Booter Bay (140), Bronze Arrow (140), Celtic Star (140), Dawn Star (140).

Emergency Unit (140), Eve of Dancin' (141), Eve of Hunting (140), Galveston Day (141), Gladiator (150), Golden Time (140), Jane Doe (140), Just in Time (153), Laughing Girl (140), Lovely Star (140), Musketeer (153), Ohio (140), Ojibway (147), Oomph (140), Patricia (141), Pinarhinga (145), Rose Evelyn (145), Rose Fane (150), Rose-Queen (140), Royal Highness (140), Royal Wedding Eve (159), Soldier of Britain (140), Stratherrick (155), Tanya Day (147), Tacking Master (151), Thirty Six (158), Victoria (141).

SPORTS ADVT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 19th October, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE
No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on Saturday.

Times are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00, including tax for all Persons including Children and Playable by the Club Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order of the Club Secretary
HONGKONG, 14th October, 1940.

Effort To Abolish Racing In Rangoon

Greatest Disappointment Of The Year

WELBY VAN HORN, finalist in the United States singles tennis championship in 1939, provided the biggest upset in American tennis rankings for many a year, and following defeat all over the country was forced, on his own initiative, to scratch from this year's U.S. Singles championship which was won by Don McNeill.

Van Horn's collapse in form this year has been amazing. Acknowledged a coming American, and possibly Wimbledon champion, following his devastating match against Bobby Riggs last year, he failed at every tournament in which he entered.

NATIONAL DOUBLES

Paired with Bobby Riggs in this year's National Doubles event, Welby Van Horn literally threw away the match when they bowed to two Southern Californian youngsters, Frank Guernsey and Russell Bobbitt, who won in four sets.

Guernsey, recognised as the latest "little man" of tennis, time and again, needing a "big point" came through with his angled soft "dinks" (dropshots) out of reach of Riggs or Van Horn, while Bobbitt's lobbing to Van Horn provided the deciding issue, last year's singles finalist blasting every ball out of the court. For Van Horn this was the climax of a fruitless year's play.

Emergency Unit (140), Eve of Dancin' (141), Eve of Hunting (140), Galveston Day (141), Gladiator (150), Golden Time (140), Jane Doe (140), Just in Time (153), Laughing Girl (140), Lovely Star (140), Musketeer (153), Ohio (140), Ojibway (147), Oomph (140), Patricia (141), Pinarhinga (145), Rose Evelyn (145), Rose Fane (150), Rose-Queen (140), Royal Highness (140), Royal Wedding Eve (159), Soldier of Britain (140), Stratherrick (155), Tanya Day (147), Tacking Master (151), Thirty Six (158), Victoria (141).

VOLUNTEER AQUATIC SPORTS AT ARMY POOL

RANGOON.—A serious effort to have pony racing in Rangoon abolished has been started in the House of Representatives, where Mr. U. Ba Hsing, a prominent member, has introduced a bill designed to stop this sport on the ground that it is gambling.

The livelihood of 4,500 breeders in Upper Burma would be affected if the bill became law.

The mover, in introducing his measure, known as the Burma Gambling and Betting Tax (Amendment) Bill, maintained that poor people suffered heavy losses through betting on races, with the result that crimes increased.

In support Mr. Ganga Singh described racing as a game for the idle rich, and contended that the original object of racing, namely, to improve the breed of horses for the defence of a country, did not hold good in the present age.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17th, 1940.

HELENA MAY INSTITUTE

at 5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24th, 1940.

Y.M.C.A., Kowloon

at 9.15 p.m.

POLICE RESERVE

Orders Issued For The Current Week

Police Reserve orders by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Acting Commissioner of Police: Chinese Company—Leave—Constable R13 Tang Shiu-hung has been granted sick leave from October 11 to November 10. Training Course—Part II—The under-mentioned members of the Chinese Company will attend Company Headquarters for Part II of Training Course on Tuesday, October 15, at 8.30 p.m. under Sub-Inspector R13 Chan Chung-tung—Constables R13 Lee Hin-chiu, R13 Sung Che-yin, R13 Leung Shiu-cheung, R13 Henry Chan Wah-fook, R13 Wong Ming-kit, R13 Leung Pook-wing, R13 Yeung Wing-kwai, R13 Poon Yung-kit, R13 Au Yeung-chim, R13 Mar Yiu-wing, R13 Choi Chiew-seng, R13 Yeung Kwong-hing, R13 C. E. Chang-yit, R13 Mok Hing-huen, R13 Pang Tung-chuen, R13 Chan R13, R13 Au Yeung-kee, R13 Stanley Lau, R13 Chan Hon-keung, R13 Lam Hon-wai, R13 Leung Yung-keung, R13 Man-kui, R13 Luk Fook-hoi, R13 Tui Kwok-chung, R13 Ho Lai-kung, R13 John Ah Loy, R13 Chan R13, R13 Ching-chee, R13 Lam Han-po and R13 Mark Pak-to.

Training Course—Part III—The following qualified in Part III of Training Course on September 27—Constables R10 Lee Hin-chiu, R13 Lai Chak-po, R13 Sui Che-yin, R13 Henry Chan Wah Goon, R13 Leung Pook-wing, R13 Yeung Wing-kwai, R13 Poon Yung-kit, R13 Chan Hon-keung, R13 Mak Wah-fong, R13 Lik George Poon, R13 Lau Yung-ning, R13 C. E. Chang-yit, R13 Ng Sun-fook, R13 Au Yeung-chim, R13 Mok Hing-huen, R13 Au Yeung-kee and R13 Lam Hon-wai.

Patrol Duty—Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered. Indian Company—Training Course—Part II—Those detailed will attend the Indian Company Headquarters, 20 Ice House Street, on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, October 15, 17, and 18 for instruction in Part II of Training Course under P. S. R. 218 Channan Singh.

Patrol Duty—Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered. Flying Squad—Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered. Emergency Unit Reserve—Recruits—Class—Test in Training Course—Part I will be held by the Officer Commanding at No. 2 Police Station on Wednesday, October 16, at 5.15 p.m. All recruits will attend. "B" Company recruits will attend for riot drill on Sunday, October 20, at Kennedy Road. Van will leave Queen's Pier at 10 a.m.

Riot Drill—Kowloon Squad Nos. 5 to 8 will attend at Kennedy Road for riot drill on Friday, October 18. Van will leave Queen's Pier at 5 p.m. Dress—Uniform—Hong Kong Squad Nos. 1 to 4 will attend at Kennedy Road for riot drill on Friday, October 18. Van will leave Queen's Pier at 5 p.m. Dress—Uniform—Patrol Duty—Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

O. EAGER, D. C. P. (H).

DONATIONS FOR WAR

Payment Through Agents Suggested

The suggestion that gifts for the prosecution of the war should be remitted through the Crown Agents for the Colonies in order to avoid delay and to simplify the keeping of complete official records, is contained in the following communique issued by the Colonial Secretary's Office yesterday:

"The Secretary of State for the Colonies has informed the Hongkong Government that His Majesty's Government have been deeply gratified by the many generous financial gifts for the prosecution of the war which are being made from all parts of the Colonial Empire. Such gifts range from sums remitted by Colonial Governments to those sent by small communities and private persons, and they present to the world a striking picture of generosity, loyalty and firmness of purpose.

"It is suggested that as little delay as possible may occur in acknowledging donations and applying them to the purposes for which they are made, that the keeping of complete official records of such gifts may be simplified, it has been suggested that arrangements should be made by Colonial Governments for gifts of money from private sources, whether for the general prosecution of the war or for specific purposes such as, for example, the purchase of aircraft, to be remitted by local Governments through the Crown Agents for the Colonies to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

"It is therefore suggested for the convenience of private individuals who may wish to make such donations and of societies, banks and firms collecting or receiving gifts of money for such purposes that the money so donated or collected may be paid into the Treasury, Hongkong, for transmission to the United Kingdom through the Crown Agents, and that the donors as to the purpose to which the money is to be applied will be forwarded with the gifts."

BOUND FOR AMERICA TWO CHILD EVACUEES PASS THROUGH COLONY

Two British child evacuees from Singapore, who are travelling alone to stay in the United States for the duration of the war, were among the passengers who arrived last night by the City of Newport News.

They are eight years-old Joan, and 11-years-old Gordon Lucas, whose father is serving with the Royal Air Force at Singapore. The kindly American stewardess and the Assistant Purser on the ship are looking after the little evacuees on the trip to San Francisco. Last night two very happy children were taken ashore to see the sights of Hongkong.

They will stay with an uncle in Michigan, for the duration of the war.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday says: The market had a turn for the better with buyers improving their bids resulting in business at advanced prices in utilities, industries and Providents.

Buyers: Providents \$4.25, Hotels 3.10, Lands \$30.25, Rentals \$3.15, Tramways \$15.25, Lights (old) 6.40, Telephones (old) \$22.50, Cements \$15.30, Ropes \$3.50.

Sellers: Wharves \$89.50, Star Ferries \$59.50, Telephone (new) \$9.50, Vibro Piling \$8.

Sales: H.K. Bank \$12.05, Providents \$4.35/45, Lands \$30.25, Electric (old) \$36.10, Cements \$15.20/30/40.

AUXILIARY NURSES HOSPITAL SUNDAY SERVICE AT THE CATHEDRAL

All members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service are invited to attend morning service at St. John's Cathedral on Hospital Sunday, October 20, at 11 a.m. in uniform if possible. The Hon. Director of Medical Services, Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, will address the congregation. Seating accommodation will be reserved for those sending in their names to the Hon. Secretary A.N.S.



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Stranded Goods Sent Here

Shanghai, Oct. 14. Having secured approval from the Governor of Indo-China, Chinese native goods manufacturers and export merchants in Shanghai are transporting goods worth thousands of dollars stranded in the French Colony to Hongkong, as it is now impossible for them to send the goods to "Free China" through French ports, according to Chinese sources here.

It is reported that the Indo-China Governor's permission came as the result of a request made by the General Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Hainan—Reuter.

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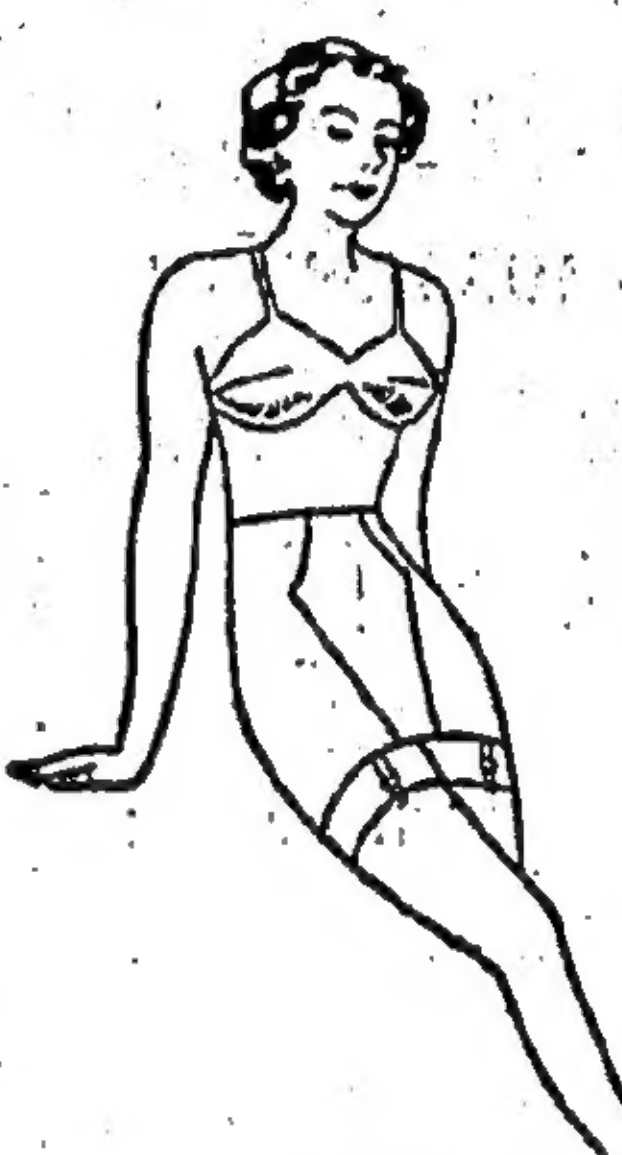
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LONDON, Oct. 14. (UP).—To-night's moonlight attack appeared to be one of the most fierce raids since the beginning of the blitzkrieg over central London according to reports during the first hour in which bombs were dropping every few minutes.

R.A.F. ON THE JOB

Flushing Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 14. (UP).—Blenheim bombers of the Coastal Command caused a "series of exceedingly heavy explosions" in a raid on Flushing last night, according to an Air Ministry announcement.

"The main line railway junction at the Mole was one of the chief targets and, after a major explosion, fierce fires were caused where the bombs fell," the announcement said.

Other Blenheims bombed Domburg to the northwest of Flushing as well as the Mole at Zebrugga where they dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs.

Nazi Shock Troops In N. Africa

LONDON, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—Nazi circles in Berlin now admit the presence of German soldiers with the Italian troops in North Africa and claim that they are shock troops.

The number of men is not revealed but they are said to form an experimental corps to gain knowledge which will guide the future use of German troops in the tropics.

Bombs on Aerodrome
CAIRO, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—The South African Air Force administered a severe pounding to the Yavullo aerodrome in Abyssinia on Saturday night.

A communiqué states that heavy and incendiary bombs fell among the hangars and aerodrome buildings, and a machine-gun post was quickly silenced.

Other South African aircraft made numerous reconnaissance over enemy territory on Saturday and Sunday. All returned safely.

Raids on Tobruk
CAIRO, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—Raids on Tobruk were carried out on the night of October 12-13 by R.A.F. bombers. Bombs fell on the target area but it was impossible to ascertain the full extent of the damage.

This is announced in today's R.A.F. communiqué.

Searchlights were busy and the outer and inner anti-aircraft defences put up barrages against the large groups of raiders who were flying high.

Fire bombs were dropped on various parts of the Capital, causing some fires which were quickly extinguished.

Main Thoroughfare Hit
Five more fires and a series of bombs have been dropped. One bomb landed in a main thoroughfare. Two whistling bombs were heard, apparently time bombs, because they did not explode.

To-day's raids were carried out on a small scale, according to the official communiqué. They were confined to attacks by single planes which bombed a number of points in the south of England and the Midlands.

"Reports up to 5 p.m. indicate the casualties are few but a small number of people have been killed," the Air Ministry communiqué said and added that the damage was slight except in Kent where houses and shops have been damaged.

Planes Over Liverpool
German raiders have been reported over Liverpool and another north-western and a southwestern town to-night.

People Killed
LONDON, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—German activity over Britain was on a comparatively small scale to-day, being confined to a series of attacks by single aircraft which dropped a few bombs at a number of points in South England and the Midlands.

According to a communiqué, reports received till 4 p.m. indicate that casualties have been few but that a few persons have been killed.

Some houses and shops were damaged in Kentish town. Elsewhere damage has been slight.

Bomber Shot Down
A large, four-engined German bomber was shot down in open ground on the outskirts of London to-day.

Anti-aircraft batteries opened fire when the plane was 5,000ft above a suburb. The plane went into a spin, dropping bombs as it died.

A German bomber appeared over another suburb but was driven off by A.A. fire.

During the morning alert, a small force of bombers was observed flying TURN to Page 8, Column Five

MAIL SERVICES SUSPENDED
But To-day's Planes Not Affected

Although the Imperial Airways this morning announced that the mail services between Hongkong and Bangkok had again been suspended owing to the situation in Indo-China, the outward mail which closed last evening left as usual to-day.

The inward mail due to arrive this afternoon is also expected according to schedule.

These, however, are likely to be the last inward and outward planes for a fortnight.

Bulgaria and Hungary Shaken By Axis Moves

LONDON, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—Reports that German troops are being sent to Bulgaria are denied in an inspired statement issued by the German news agency to-night.

These reports are attributed to British propaganda whose "tendency is to disturb peace, spread disquiet and cause sabotage in south-eastern Europe."

The statement also denies that any negotiations on the subject between Germany and Bulgaria are proceeding.

Trade Agreement
SOFIA, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—A trade agreement was signed here to-day between Bulgarian and German representatives.

The agreement will run until next April.

A supplementary agreement covers the German-occupied countries of Poland, Holland, Norway and Belgium.

In future all payments between these countries and Bulgaria will be TURN to Page 8, Column Five

Co-operation With Axis Denied By Thai Won't Help War-Like Aims

Special to the "Telegraph"

BANGKOK, Oct. 14. (UP).—The Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Nai Direk Jayanama to-day categorically denied that Thailand is co-operating with the Axis Powers.

He said, "Thailand has not been invited to enter the alliance and has no secret treaty with any of them. There is no question about Thailand helping any war-like aims."

Meanwhile, feeling runs high as 10,000 demonstrators yesterday asked for an ultimatum against Vichy.

Strong Public Feeling
Mr. Nai Direk said the Government would not interfere with the demonstrations as long as they keep within legal bounds. He added: "It is difficult to say whether or not any third party is behind the demonstrations, but public feeling is very strong regarding the return of the territory."

The leader of the south movement, Colonel Phrayura Montri, in a message to the Axis Powers announced the mission is "exclusively concerned with the return of the territory."

He will also make a short stay at Hue and Saigon, and possibly visit the Thailand frontier.

Ten thousand Japanese troops from Langson are scheduled to proceed to Haiphong by train on Wednesday after which they will embark on transports, apparently evacuating Indo-China.

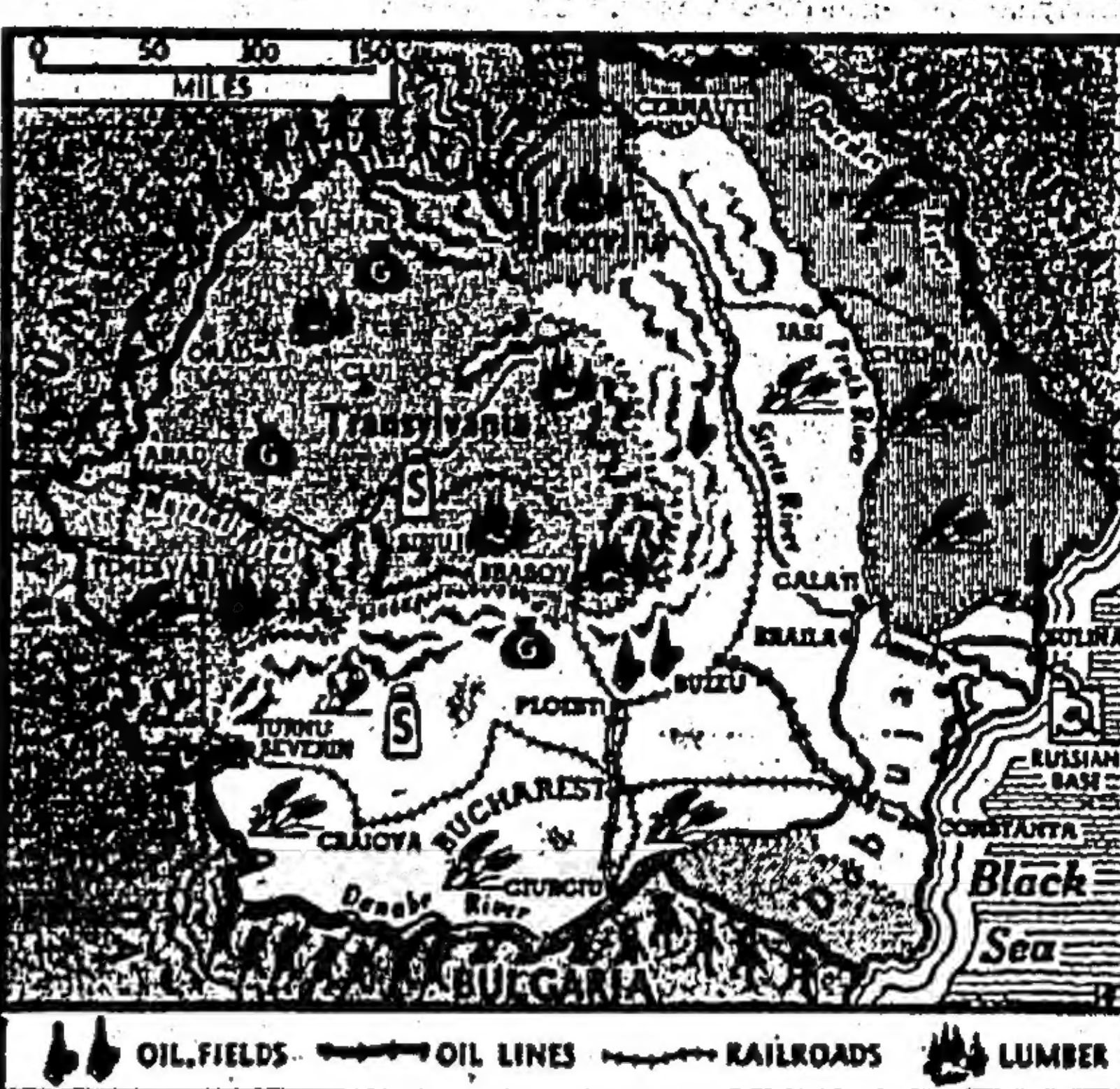
The French Ambassador to China, M. Henri Comte, who is now in Hanoi is reported to be leaving for Chungking on Tuesday to urge the Chinese not to cross the Indo-China frontier because such a move would only result in increased Japanese occupation of the French Colony.

U.S. Ambassador May Resign
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 14. (UP).—It is reliably reported that Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the United States Ambassador, is despatching for the United States next week and intends to resign.

The American Embassy declined to comment on the reports.

THE OIL FIELDS WHICH NAZIS SEEK



The above map of Rumania shows the oil pipe-line between Ploesti and Giurgiu, oil port on the Danube, in the neighbourhood of which German troops are reported to be concentrated. The other important oil line runs from Buzeu to Constanta on the Black Sea.

Dramatic Plea at Evacuation Appeals Meeting

Woman would Cut Arteries Before Asking for Charity

Of the 11 applications which came before the Evacuation Advisory Committee this morning, either for exemption from evacuation or permission to return to the Colony, only two were allowed, while two were deferred for further consideration.

The challenge that she would cut her arteries and that of her child before she would ask for charity if she were evacuated and her husband unable to support her was thrown out by Mrs. W. J. Kemp, wife of an official of the Chinese Maritime Customs, whose application for exemption was refused.

The Committee comprised Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chairman), Major R. E. Moody, Mr. C. Blaker and Mr. C. B. Burgess (Secretary).

The first application dealt with was that brought by Mrs. L. H. Coates, who sought exemption. The grounds for the application were that she had taken a course in A.R.P. work and that she was domiciled in the Colony.

Mrs. Coates: Why was it we were told we could get exemption if we joined the A.R.P.?

The Chairman: I don't know who told you that.

Mrs. Coates: I was told by an instructor, and can you tell me who can answer my question?

The Chairman: That question has nothing to do with us. We are here only to advise the Government.

Cancelled Passage
Mrs. Coates: I had my passage booked for the last evacuation but when I saw a number of women remaining here I cancelled it, naturally.

The Chairman: There is a letter here from Mr. Cassidy, an A.R.P. warden, mentioning that you have been training in Gough Hill and that he wants two others. At present we have not very much advice from the Director of Air Raid Precautions as to the number of women who may be required in an emergency but I think we will get further information from him. The trouble is if we TURN to Page 8, Column Three

AMERICA CONSIDERS DEFENCES

Mr. Hull's Statement

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14. (UP).—There have been constant exchanges of information on all phases of the Western Hemisphere's defence from a military, economic and political standpoint, declared Mr. Cordell Hull at to-day's press conference.

The Secretary of State said he had nothing in mind on specific agreements such as that reported to have been effected between Chile and Brazil.

He said any talks concerning bases have been within the spirit and scope of the Havana and Panama conferences and no question of sovereignty has been involved.

Mr. Hull declined to be drawn into further discussions on the Chile and Brazil reports.

Mutual Bases

His comments are interpreted to mean that some conversations are under way regarding bases and, in view of the fact that he emphasized no question of sovereignty is involved, it is believed the discussions concern the mutual use of bases rather than the United States acquiring them.

The Brazilian and Chilean embassies here have declined to comment on the reported agreement between their respective countries. A Uruguayan source said discussions have been held concerning the joint use of base facilities in Uruguay, but that the discussions have not yet reached the final stage.

Huge Dry Dock Planned

It will be recalled that Chile is reported to be planning the construction of a 30,000,000 dry dock in Valparaiso Bay, with financial aid from the United States. It is understood that the Chilean Government has agreed to United States vessels and any agreement with Chile probably involved this project which it is reported, will be able to handle 45,000-ton battleships.

Mr. Hull also told the press that the negotiations for leased bases in British possessions are progressing. He said the evolving of the leases is a highly technical legal task. However, he said, he anticipates the negotiations will be concluded without delay in order to permit the construction of the bases as soon as possible.

Hitler's Volte Face In Balkans

Anglo-Rumanian Rupture Undesired

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 14. (UP).—Neutral diplomats have heard that Hitler has ordered Rumania to avoid any breach in relations with Britain, and to "begin conciliation."

It is now considered extremely probable that a Rumanian-British rupture will be averted.

It is reported that the German instructions were given to General Antonescu with a view to preserving some semblance of Rumania's independence. It is expected that Rumania will now free the five Britons who were arrested last week, and whose release the British Minister has been demanding.

Similarly, it is believed that the 14 British tanks which were seized on the Danube last June will be released.

Oil Wells Destroyed

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14. (UP).—Three oil wells were completely destroyed by fire to-day in the Rumanian oil fields near Balcoi.

Two of the wells were the property of the Rumanian Company, Costica Petrescu, while the third was the property of the International Company, belonging to the petrol bloc.

More German Troops

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14. (UP).—About 3,000 additional Germans, comprising the so-called training units, arrived at Badiu and Galatz last night via the Danube river. They are mostly anti-aircraft units.

British Evacuate

LONDON, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—Forty members of the British colony at Bucharest and 30 members of the British Legation in Rumania left to-day by train for Istanbul.

The British Minister, Sir Reginald Home, is still at Bucharest. Other British subjects are leaving from Constantza.

Another 3,000 German troops arrived at Galatz on Sunday night, most of them being men connected with anti-aircraft units.

The Berlin Press is full of jubilation over how once again Germany has forestalled a British move to seize control of Rumania.

U.S. DESTROYERS REACH BRITAIN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 14. (UP).—Another group of American over-age destroyers has arrived in England.

The Captain of one of the vessels said there were "no incidents" and no German aircraft were sighted.

Another officer revealed they sighted a Royal Air Force plane and saved the crew of the machine which had crashed 25 hours before.

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LETTERS

Hospital Sunday
To the Editor,
The "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—Special reference is being made at the morning and evening services in St. John's Cathedral on Sunday, October 20, to medical work. The preacher in the morning is the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke and in the evening the Bishop of the Diocese. The collections at both services will be divided between the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals and medical work in the Diocese. Gifts in kind of articles useful in hospitals, such as invalid foods, soap, biscuits, hot water bottles, towels and unbleached calico, and donations will be gladly received at the Cathedral Office during the week and will be devoted to the above medical work.

A. P. Rose,
Acting Chaplain.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$	1210 b.
H.K. Banks £	57 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £	70 n.
Chartered	27 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £	20 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. £	10 n.
East Asia \$	72 n.

INSURANCES

Canton \$	187 1/2 n.
Union \$	380 b.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire \$	150 n.

SHIPPING

Douglases	120 n.
Steamboats	11 n.
Indo-China F. \$	100 n.
Indo-China D. \$	80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	36 3/8 n.
Waterboats \$	600 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	8 1/4 n.
Docks (old)	16 1/4 n.
Docks (new)	16 n.
Providents	4.35/45 sa.
Shai Dockyards	20 1/2 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	14 1/2 n.
Raub s/-	9 1/4 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 cts. n.

LANDS

Hotels \$	3.20 b.
Lands \$	30 1/4 b. & sa.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	7.10 n.
Humphreys \$	7.10 n.
H.K. Realities \$	22 1/2 n.
Chinese Estates	103 s.

UTILITIES

Trams \$	15 1/4 b.
Peak Trams (old)	7.40 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3.70 n.
Sin Ferries	59 1/2 n.
China Lights (old) \$	6.05 b. & sa.
China Lights (new) \$	0 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	35 1/2 b.
H.K. Electric (old)	17 n.
Macao Electric (new)	10 n.
H.K. Realities \$	11 n.
Sandakan Lights \$	103 s.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$	14.90 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$	12 n.
Canton Ice \$	1 n.
Cements \$	15.20/40 sa.
H.K. Ropes \$	5.80 s.
Dairy Farms \$	17 1/4 s.
Watsons \$	84 n.
Lane Crawford \$	7.45 n.
Sinceres \$	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$	39 n.
Powell Ltd. \$	1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$	35 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$	161 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% (1934)	89 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934)	85 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940)	85 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S.Ds. 35%	85 n.
H.K. Entertainments	6.80 n.
Constructions (old)	1.1 n.
Constructions (new)	1.1 n.
Vibro-Filing \$	7 1/2 n.
Museum Inv. (L.O.) \$	7 1/2 n.
Museum Inv. (H.K.) \$	2 1/2 n.

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Book-keeping Office 31758

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ERIC W. PUDNEY,
Accountant General.

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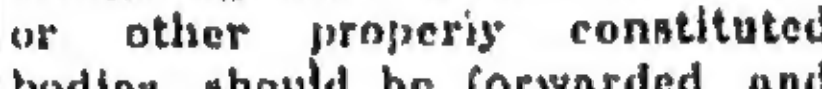
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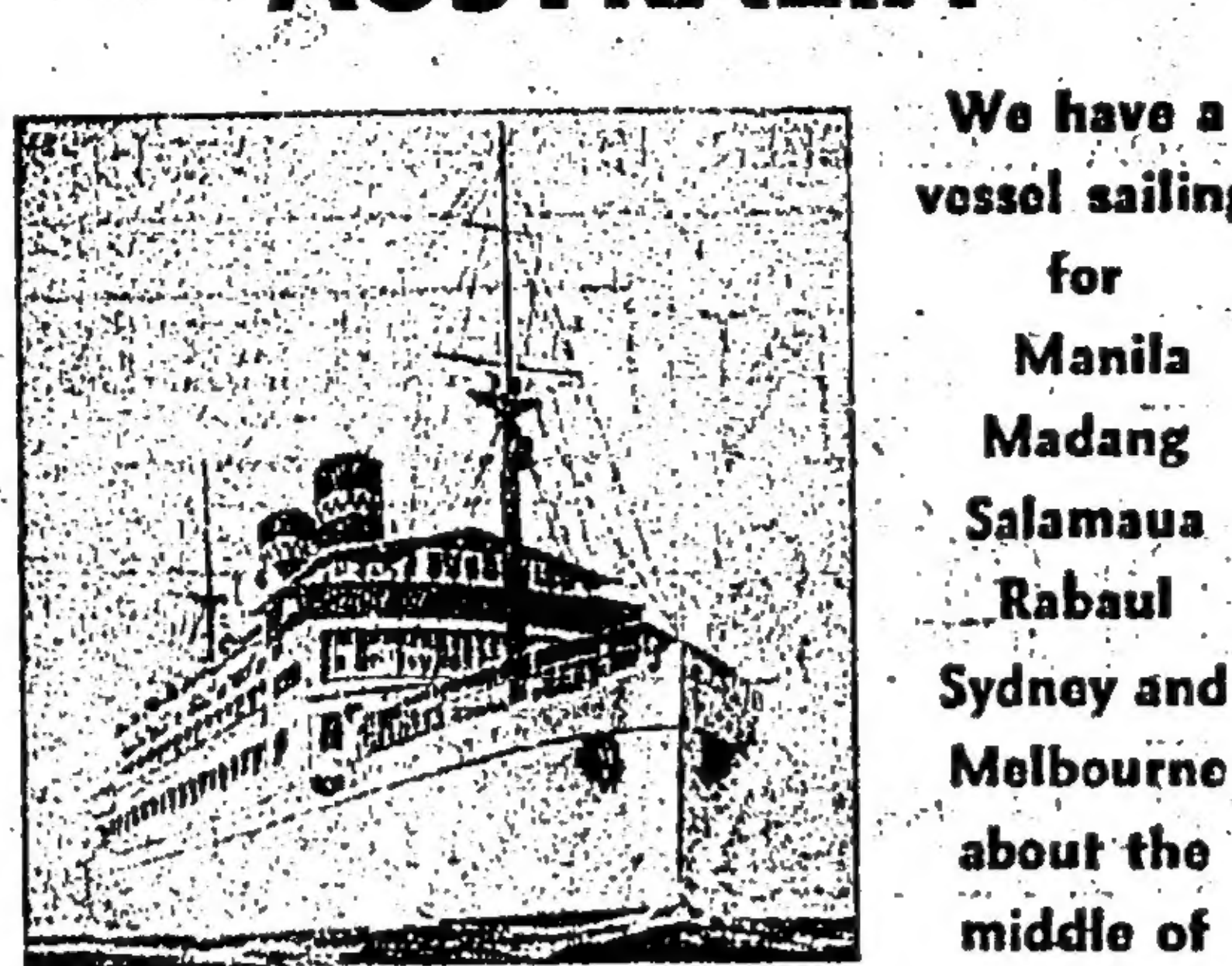
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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press.

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1.45 Haydn—Symphony No. 104 in D Major ("London")—Edwin Fischer and His Chamber Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Dance Music.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.35 Dance Music Continued.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Topical Talk.

7.30 Musical Comedy Selections.

7.45 "Please Teachers," "Out of the Bottle," "Tell her the Truth," "On Your Toes," "Home and Beauty," and "Head Over Heels."

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 A Chopin Programme.

8.32 Marian Anderson (Contralto) and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra of New York.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Soots Abroad."

9.45 Dance Music.

10.15 Variety Programme.

11.00 Close Down.

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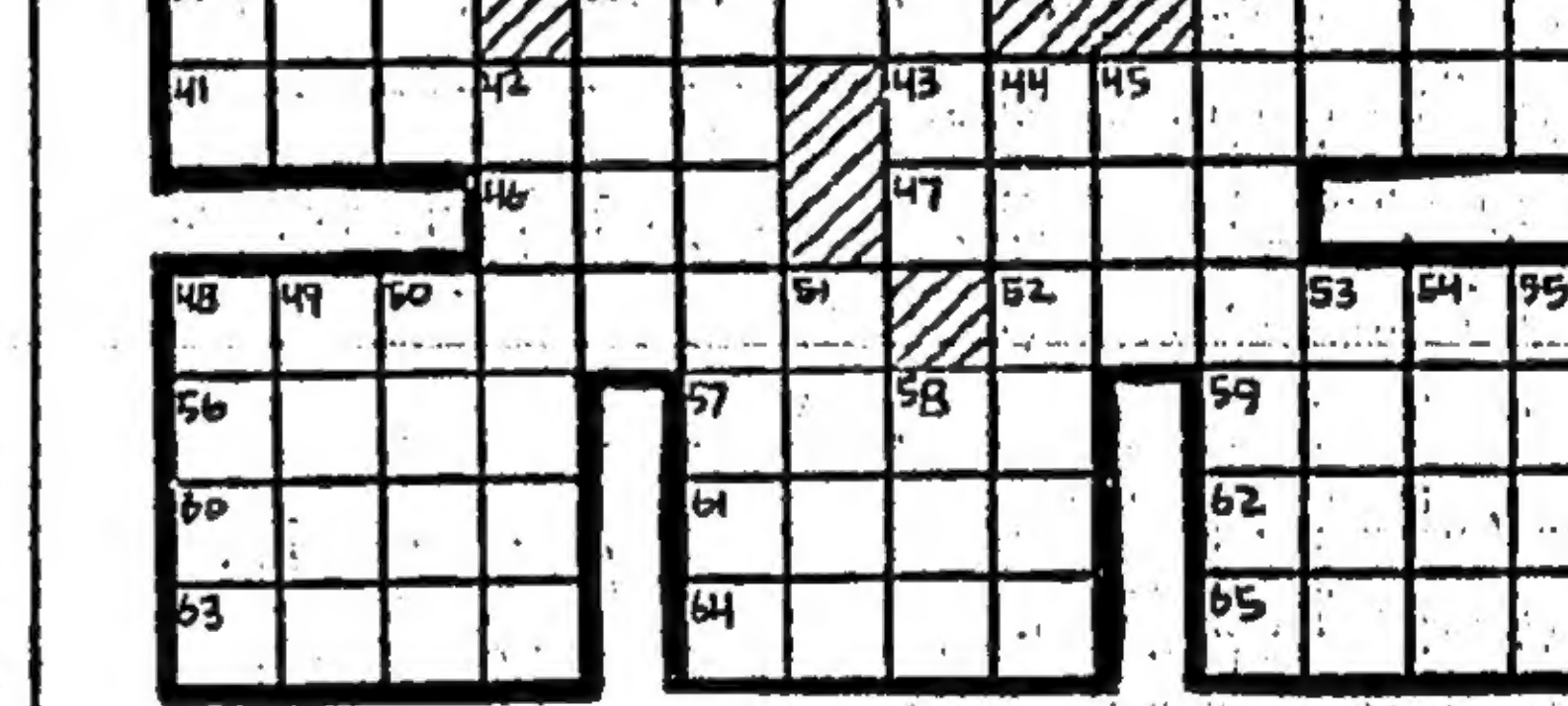
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ACROSS

- One who employs
- Fashion
- Here here!
- Large volume
- Wading bird
- Encourage and support
- Oliver
- Enroll in catalogue
- Unaccompanied
- Novel published in episode at a time
- Crop ready for sowing
- Whispering pipe
- Digit of foot
- Recent reserve and propriety
- Ancient seat of Jews
- Force of electricity
- If the case were different
- Legislative enactment
- Hearty meal
- Thin ribbon
- Large canal
- Lactate
- British War Minister
- Volcanic act
- Wild yellow plum
- Dispatch

DOWN

- Members of Shoshonean tribe
- Limited in amount
- Petain noble
- Rising in seclusion
- French
- Closest related by affection
- Seriously practiced in
- West Indies
- Change vessel for moving meals
- Tracts of land
- Main time divisions in ball game
- Five-like instrument
- Writing instruments
- Not stand as official
- Carroll's ground
- Minute marks
- Initiation
- Son of Loki (Norse mythology)
- Female sheep
- State of animation
- Agreement
- Robbers of the high seas
- Group of seven
- Unfavorable
- Human beings
- Lead cook
- Contract for services
- Continent of the East
- Veritable
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- Uncovered
- Tear apart
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Co-operation With Axis Denied By Thai

FROM PAGE ONE

ed with the interests of Thailand students in Europe and has no further significance.

Vichy Will Refuse

VICHY, Oct. 14 (Reuters).—A flat refusal to consider any territorial claims put forward by Thailand in contained in an official statement issued by the French Government to-night.

At the same time, an assurance is given that France is ready to ratify immediately the Non-Aggression Pact drawn up recently between the two countries.

Numerous Incident

VICHY, Oct. 14 (UP).—French officials here admitted there have been fairly numerous incidents along the Thailand border during the past fortnight.

They reiterated that Vichy is rejecting all territorial demands and declare that although France had appointed a mixed commission to decide the fate of several small islands in the Mekong river, this commission was not empowered to settle any other territorial questions. They said that France is willing to ratify the non-aggression pact which is now pending between Thailand and France, and also that France and Thailand had agreed to the appointment of another mixed commission to investigate the recent border incidents.

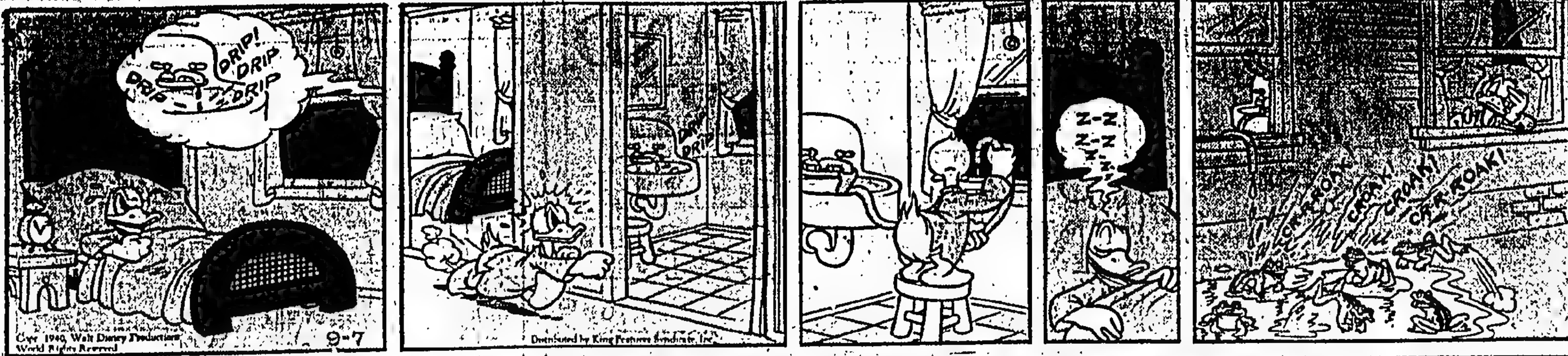
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"We Are Not Alone"

FROM THE NOVEL BY JAMES HILTON

THE hill heaped behind, with the dark shape of the Knoll farther still behind, the gradient spinning them into shadows of cold air under trees, and then into the bright glassy moonlight of the level. And after miles of this, keeping a good rate, David began to whistle in pure enjoyment. He often did so as he went about the country-side at night, and if people heard a whistling cyclist they sometimes said: "But that's the little doctor."

So now he went on whistling till the beginning of Croombury Hill made him save his breath, and a few yards higher forced him off his machine altogether.

"This is a steep one," he said, affectionately, to the earth and sky, and then paused in the middle of the road, feeling in his pocket for pipe and tobacco and matches. "But we're doing fine—we'll easily catch the ten to twelve. Are you tired?"

"No, but it hurts my knee a little."

"It's not far now—just through Lissington village and over the next hill. I know all the country round here. You must have been a baby when I first put up my plate. Hundreds of miles away in some German village I've never heard of, you grew up—unknown to me, all those years—to fall over one night and break your wrist in Calderbury. If you hadn't come here and done that I'd never have known you at all. That's a funny thing. And it's funnier still to think that I shouldn't have missed knowing you. Some German village, wasn't it? Tell me about it."

"It was a city, really—Konigsberg. My parents both died when I was young and I was sent to school—the school I ran away from."

"We're at the top of the hill now. Better jump on again. We can go on talking." But at the foot of the hill there was a bad patch of road and crossing it too fast and with the added weight of the back tire suddenly deflated. "We'll just have to push on and walk."

David said. He took the machine through a gate into a field and partly hid it in a hedgerow. Leni was limping and the Junction lights seemed far away. He put an arm around her and she might lean some of her weight on him. "Just matter of stepping out," he said, but when still a long way off they heard the train they had aimed for puffing out of the station.

They had six hours to wait—no big hardship on a summer night. Half a mile further on he knew that the side of the road heaped into a dry bed of bracken. There was a big elm growing there. So when they were tired of walking they lay down on the turf and bracken. There are some moments that are hung in memory like a lamp, they shine and swing gently and one can look back on them when all else has faded into distance and darkness.

Dawn came—the dawn of the first day of war. He got up leaving her still sleeping, and walked a few yards to the signpost. "Stamford Magna, 2 miles."

To peace, how many days, months, years? The spire of Lissington Church, pricked over the lightning horizon; day came, rolling over the little hills, filling the smoky roadways, glistering



"Under arrest for the murder of my wife"



"They're killing us—but we are not alone!"

on the wheatfields, wakening the birds. He roused her and they passed on together. It was ten to six when they approached the entrance to the ticket office. He knew that the train would take them as far as Charlham, where they could buy the tickets and pick up an express for London. They arrived at Charlham at nine-thirty and had breakfast at the Railway Arms. The morning papers had come in, and everyone in the coffee room was talking and prophesying.

Most of the way to London Leni slept again, but this time the train was crowded and she leaned her head against his shoulder while he talked with the other people in the compartment. He sometimes stole a glance at the head so limp against his arm; it had been a long way to the Junction for her—poor child, let her sleep. But once she half-wakened, roused by the crash of the train in a tunnel, and in the

sudden soft glow of the electric light her eyes melted to his glance. "Du kleiner Doktor," she murmured, dreamily. "Where are you going to? Where are you taking me?" Then she remembered. "You didn't do anything—did you?" She looked at him gravely for a moment and then answered: "No. Did you?"

They reached London in the middle of the afternoon, and as they alighted with the crowd on the platform by the sides of the train two men sprang forward and gripped each of them by the arm.

The little doctor watched the autumn sunlight move over the floor, and when the last yellow bar disappeared he knew it was late afternoon and that another day was nearly over. Presently he

heard the Cathedral chiming five, and a warder entered with tea and bread and butter for himself and for the two other warders who had to stay all the time.

According to prison rules he was never left alone, day or night; but the warders were kindly fellows and tried to efface themselves as much as possible. They played cards or read newspapers or yarned together for hours, not worrying the doctor by their presence, though they were affable enough if he chose to join them for a game. They would not let him wear boot-laces, or braces, or anything he might possibly hang himself with; because, of course, they intended to hang him themselves.

The request that David had made, more than once, was to see Leni. She was lodged in the jail at Manchester, twenty miles away, where there was more up-to-date provision for women prisoners. He had not seen her since the trial, a month before, and when he tried to remember that last glance, he had he could only see the courtroom, dark at the close of an autumn afternoon, grey figures moving restlessly and meaninglessly as reeds in a stream, and somewhere, lost amongst them, her strange eager face seeking his in a bewildered stare. What had it all been about?

And he didn't know—the whole proceedings of arrest, police questioning, grand jury, prison, trial, all were shadows of a shapeless fate. They let him read reports of the trial, and to these he now gave a half-credulous scrutiny. He could not really understand. Then he turned to the current papers, and read news that was dark with bigger fantasy—Mons, the Marne, the Alsace

When David heard on Thursday morning that Leni was to be brought to see him that same afternoon his heart overflowed with anticipation. They let her come in ordinary clothes, the same that she had known whilst balancing on the back of David's bicycle along the Marsland Road. But her face was different from then; she had the little crushed smile that he had seen first of all when he had bandaged her wrist at the Theatre Royal. She came forward, stumbling a little, leaning at last into his arms, as he stood. "Du kleiner Doktor. . . Oh, du kleiner Doktor. . . She began to cry, and all at once it seemed to him that the whole world was crying, crying for lost, impossible love.

Her first words were: "David, whatever you did I love you, David. I told you that once before, but you took no notice. "When did you tell me?" "The day I danced for you."

"Yes, I remember that, I try to remember everything—I try and I try—but I can't think what really happened." And then suddenly he said: "Leni—did you—did you—did you didn't do anything—did you?" She looked at him gravely for a moment and then answered: "No. Did you?"

"I didn't either. Did you think I did?" "I wondered." "I wondered, too." Then he smiled. "Forgive me. How could such a suspicion—"

"But if it's really true that neither of—then what?"

"Yes, that's a trouble. That's why they won't believe us. They have to find some answer. And it's so easy to prove things by evidence." She put up her hand and touched his face as a blind person memorizes. "They are going to kill us, David, though we haven't done any wrong at all."

"I know." And he added, seeing beyond her, hundred of miles beyond her: "We are not alone."

"What do you mean?" "These things are always happening. Don't be afraid of death. It isn't the worst we have to face—only the last. No, no, we should fear birth much more if we could look ahead of it. If there's a next world I'll try to find you in it as I found you in this."

"Oh, David—David! Why does it have to happen like this?"

Presently a stranger entered the room and pinioned his arms with a leather strap; he submitted to this without word or murmur. Then he saw the Governor and the Chaplain standing by. "Good morning," he said and smiled at them. They crossed the gravel walk in the chilly morning air. He stood on a little platform. A white hood was put over his head. The noose slipped over it and he suddenly remembered Leni; and her little crushed smile, and that she too, at the same moment in Manchester

"Come with me, go with me, I don't know where, but there are a few of us, we make a good company already, we carry love in our hearts, we are not alone."

(To be continued to-morrow)

BRITAIN SEES IT THROUGH . . .

Many small incidents during the sustained air attacks on Britain have shown how coolly the people are facing danger.

The stories—and by no means all are chronicled—illustrate British imperturbability, courage, presence of mind, and good humour.

They increase in number daily. Here are a few of them, taken from the events of one week:

During the heaviest raid so far on one section of the north-east coast miners climbed to the summit of a slag-heap to watch the fighting.

They stood there, cheering and waving their caps as a British fighter chased an escaping bomber out to sea, engaged it, and shot it down.

A surgeon at a Portsmouth hospital had just started a critical

told operation on a woman when a bomb fell close at hand.

Anti-aircraft guns answered. All round the noise became deafening; but among the confusion, with fighting overhead, the surgeon and his assistants continued their work and ended the operation successfully. The woman is recovering.

A British pilot who was shot down and rescued during one of the battles over the Channel immediately telephoned his base from a police station. "Don't forget to have a plane ready," he said.

When Dornier raiders appeared over Portland and Weymouth, a swarm of bees in that beehive, the windows of a chapel in which a children's service was being held were blown out.

The forty children present went into a lecture room at the back sheltered against the wall, and went on singing their hymns until the end of the raid.

Hundreds of people watched a night attack on Croydon. Some stood on the top deck of an omnibus. Soldiers cheered, every time a raider fell. Children who had been driving with their mother left their car, lay down in a field, and had a good view of the battle.

That night people in a south-east coast town cheered themselves hoarse when an anti-aircraft gun scored a direct hit on a Messerschmitt 109 and sent it flaring into the sea.

At an Officers' Club party for members of the Dominions fighting forces, on Thursday, "Blitzkrieg Day"—two chairs were reserved for Hitler and Mussolini. They remained vacant.

Lord Willington read two cables. According to these, Hitler explained: "Set off according to plan but was blown back by hurricane," and Mussolini supported. All Italian sailings cancelled owing to secret manoeuvres in port.

people waiting in a public shelter during a raid.

A woman having her hair waved in a hairdresser's refused the proprietor's invitation to take cover, and asked him to continue.

At the time of the first London raid warning on Friday the band of the Irish Guards was playing on Tower Hill. When the bandmaster announced that all who wished to take shelter should do so, few people moved; the crowd shouted "Carry on, Bill," and the programme continued.

If they don't come any nearer, we shall mind at all," said a woman's wife after a bomb had blown tiles off the roof of the house and made the furniture dance about.

At St. James' station a dozen sailors, going on leave, took no notice at all of the air-raid warning. They went the long way having their boots cleaned by the shoemaker, who was also cheerfully ob-

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THE GANDHI TECHNIQUE

MYSTICAL, spectacular Mahatma Gandhi has indicated that he is about to indulge in another of his fasts. This time it is for "freedom of speech". But his objectives embrace far wider issues. Gandhi has always had one idea in his head—constitutional reforms which would bring India self-government.

The Mahatma still makes this his burning ideal and one respects him for his ardent and passionate consistency. The measure of success which has hitherto attended Gandhi's passive resistance has left his opponents bewildered; but perhaps their bewilderment would be less if they fully appreciated the psychology of the Englishman, who, with his inculcated or borrowed notions of "Cricket," cannot hit a man when he's down. This, of course, is only one contribution to the Mahatma's success. One must also remember that he is pleading a cause, which, in these enlightened days, commands the sympathy of the intelligentsia. What is more, he remains persona grata with the British Government, despite the inconveniences to which he has subjected them.

At the present moment Gandhi has added another string to his bow. While willing to concede the righteousness of Britain's fight against Nazism, Gandhi and his Congress Party have seized the opportunity to insist that India, fighting for the old order, is not enough. Gandhi and Congress argue that India is willing to fight for the British Empire providing the Imperial Government is prepared to state, unequivocally, what India's position is to be after the War is over. The Mahatma has so far received no satisfaction to this query; Lord Linlithgow has offered a pained leaf which Gandhi and his adherents have turned down.

This latest fast threatened by Gandhi suggests that he is again turning to the old technique for gaining his ends. But he will be well advised to realize that the Mother Country, immersed in a life and death struggle for

**BRITAIN AND
ITALY ARE
SKIRMISHING
IN THE SAND**

ON THE LIBYAN BORDER.

A Libyan border sandstorm seems to be pouring the whole desert into the little headquarters tent where I sit writing. Outside it would be 115 degrees in the shade if there were any shade. The whole camp, with its mixture of armoured vehicles and Army lorries, is covered by a pall of whirling, biting dust that cannot be kept out of ears, eyes, or boots.

Before the sandstorm I had warfare. From a small mound you can see for miles over the comparatively flat terrain. Dust, being ubiquitous, is both good camouflage and a fatal give-away. A slight move causes a swirl caught by the wind and seen for miles, except at dawn, when the dew is wet on everything. One may watch an Italian plane flying to and fro for hours looking in vain for an encampment.

But everything hangs on that plane while it is about. Usually the Italians, after a prolonged scrutiny, drop their bombs on an area of no consequence, and the R.A.F. by their activity keep camps fairly safe.

On the ground hand-to-hand fighting has so far been rare. Occasionally a patrol moves out into the still night to bring in an Italian lorry or tank laid up during the day. They may happen to meet a party of the enemy out for the same prize, but the Italians rarely move by night.

Most casualties are from the weather rather than the war. Even so the percentage of illness heard a battery roar in the

This is not the primitive war you might expect. It is most modern. You seldom see camels, or mules, or native soldiers. Instead there are tanks, armoured cars, and aeroplanes, and even before these can combat an enemy they must combat desert conditions.

British forces are scattered in these motorized units over most of the Egyptian western desert area. Each fighting unit makes its own front line. The Italians have not ventured into Egypt over the barbed wire which forms the frontier. The British armoured car patrols move into Libya through "breaks in the wire," spaces cut through at certain strategic points, and they may patrol the whole day through seeing nothing.

The expanse of desert imposes the same remote existence upon the Italians as upon the British, and the men consider it a lucky break when they encounter an Italian tank or two. Their cars, faster and fitted with good anti-tank guns, zigzag about the usually retreating tanks and let them have it.

The gunner is allowed one hit one shell, and he usually succeeds. I watched a chase during which every shot was a hit, and looking inside the tank afterwards I noted the devastating result of the anti-tank bullets, which had splintered into a million fragments on piercing the tank walls.

Eyes in the Air

The Italians have been trying their air weapon against the patrol cars, but not with the success expected. Their technique is to "catch a small group of armoured cars in the open desert with a large flock of planes repeatedly diving and dropping incendiary bombs and tracer and armour-piercing bullets.

Cars fight back as they zigzag across the desert. The Italians consider their air weapon the best thing they have got against tanks and cars. A thing high up has the advantage in this the freedom of speech which is the ostensible object of his fast, is, perhaps, not so likely to regard his new threat with that sentimental horror which gained for him such spectacular victories. We sympathise with India and her anxiety for the future, but we also appreciate that even India and her problems cannot take first place over the task confronting the Mother Country—that of winning the war against the tyranny of dictatorships.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



"We'll have to lay you off, McGillicuddy... we're cutting double features!"

among British troops is low. evening air; two twos and a three Italian prisoners have revealed that they have had a much tougher time. Their worst illnesses come from sores which fasten on to any scratch. Flies infect the scratch and cause prolonged festering.

The trouble in this war is that only the skilled observer knows what is going to happen next. As witness my experience at an observation post lately. The observation post was just over a sand ridge.

I followed the marked rocks between the sage-brush, groping forward with a tin hat on the back of my head. Flies crawled about my nose and sand swirled around my eyes.

From somewhere behind I heard a battery roar in the

Beyond the ridge was a dip and a bigger ridge. The marked white rocks led me on until I stumbled up against a concealed sandbagged parapet and reached the observation pit.

"Hullo, you're just in time," someone said. He was young, sandy-haired, slight-bearded, with sun sores on the back of his hands and a captain's pips on his shoulder. "Anything doing?" I asked, straightening up.

"Keep down. They can see you when you do that. Yes, there will be something doing." He was crouched before a break in the sandbags, with field glasses before his eyes. The roar of our guns was intensified. "Funny," the captain said, "the Italians haven't replied yet."

**Is There a New
BIG BERTHA?**

Now all the youth of England are on fire, And sicken dalliance in the wardrobe... Now thrive the armourers, and honour's thought Reigns solely in the breast of every man;

King Henry V.

THE armourers were key men indeed. They deserved to thrive. They were the Amalgamated Engineering Union of those days. Their work was highly paid, it was so vital. For a faulty weapon or a suit of armour that was weak in the joints might mean the death of the King himself. That might mean the end of the battle—and the war.

The armourers are coming back. Many things are coming back.

The helmet came back in the last war as the tin hat. The hand grenade, which went out with the musket, came back. Now vizors may return; even if the Germans wanted to: shell body armour. After all, the tank is a great deal nearer than the "ahunk barrel" process.

In the last war breastplates appeared for a short time. Some German machine-gunners wore them. They were generally unpopular. Either they were so massive as to be a burden, or so light that they were useless. Indeed, bullet passed through the tin hat. The hand grenade, which went out with the musket, came back. Now vizors may return; even if the Germans wanted to: shell body armour. After all, the tank is a great deal nearer than the "ahunk barrel" process.

It may be possible to overcome the weight problem now. It is said that bakelite is strong enough to withstand shrapnel. It is certainly light enough.

THE Germans are said to have got a new Big Bertha. It is reported that it is 185 miles, which is more than twice as good as the old Big Bertha which shelled Paris from 75 miles off in 1917. She threw a shell of 265lb.

which is a modest size compared with the 2000lb. shell that the German howitzers threw against Antwerp. Big Bertha—I did not do much damage, and she was expensive. She had to be reined after 30 rounds.

I have heard a great deal about Big Bertha II. Her shells are alleged to be 660lb., and to be fired 50,000ft. up into the stratosphere. Six months ago we were promised that Big Bertha II would be hauled along the railway to Walcheren Island and from there she would shell London.

The story now goes that the R.A.F., being aware that Big Bertha II is mounted on a railway truck, have bombed to pieces every bridge over the myriad canals that separate Walcheren from the Dutch mainland. Also, the R.A.F. have bombed every junction leading from Germany into Holland. If this be true, then it seems that the R.A.F. are a good deal more worried about Big Bertha II. than any gunner is.

Of course, it is not true. If Big Bertha was going to Walcheren, she would have got there long ago. And if the Germans wanted to: shell London now with Big Bertha, they could get a great deal nearer than Walcheren. What's wrong with Calais?

I imagine that Big Bertha II originates in the writings of Herr Professor Kaffer. He wrote in the Nazi military journal Wehrmacht in 1937 that 155 miles would be the technical limit for long range guns made in the "ahunk barrel" process. Such a gun could theoretically throw a 2500lb. shell for this distance though it would require reeling at the end of 50 rounds.

Is there such a weapon? Does Big Bertha II really exist? Yes, and no. I believe there IS such a weapon, but no mere army artillery fires it. Dr. Goebbels is the gunner. He propels the propaganda that is designed to put the wind up us. He throws into the stratosphere this story that there is a terrible gun which can drop a shell into our midst at any hour of the day or night without the preliminary warning which an air raid gives. I take the view that there is no Big Bertha in real fact, but Dr. Goebbels' imaginary one does—this dirty work perhaps even better.

Another double year from behind, and the captain suddenly shouted wildly above the roar. "We've got one of their 77s. I'm sure of it." In some excitement he shouted. "Battery H.Q. I took a look out over the silent, dirty stretch of desert to the far ridge where the Italians were. The dust was appalling. The white rocks were blurred in the sunlight. Flies buzzed about my nose and eyes. The officer was flicking flies from his hands. His face puckered and he talked quickly with eyes wandering. I made as if to withdraw, and as I crawled from the dug-out he was saying, 'It's pretty tough the first time, but you got used to it.' It's been nice having you. Tell the major I think you bagged a 77. So long." "So long," I said, and trudged back over the ridges to tell the major.

**Message for
the Major**

I stooped beside him and peered out upon the barren desert, but there was nothing in sight but a few poles, a burnt-out Italian plane, and a truck.

"I thought I should see something," I confessed, and he replied, "You will. Their batteries are over on that ridge 2,000 yards away. Their observation post is just on the right. About 1,000 yards. They've got their encampment camouflaged near the battery. Wait till our guns start on them."

Suddenly there was a flash from the ridge. We heard the high moaning whistle overhead. "Ducked. There they go," said the captain, "looking for a third battery." The Italian guns flashed again. The captain moved to his field telephone and called to Battery H.Q. "That's their battery on the ridge. You can let them have it."

He swung round and resumed his observation. There was another one-two-three from our guns, then two from the Italians. "Now we might get it," he smiled. "When our guns open fire on their 77s on the ridge they usually turn their stuff over here somewhere."

"Do they know you're here?" "They've got an idea. There they go." A column of sand and rubble flashed up from the ridge, which was covered in a cloud of dust. The young captain noticed my alarm and reassured me. "There was another salvo and another. That was from something farther back," he said. "He rang through to the battery. There was another burst along the ridge in the distance, and the Italians replied immediately, throwing more rubble and sand up before us. I felt they were getting near."

"You're all right," shouted the captain without removing his field glasses. The salvo seemed to be getting personal. After that I remembered nothing but the sand in my eyes and that smiling voice assuring me that I was all right. "That was miles away—nowhere near us. They don't even know we're here, and they're rotten shots anyway. No, you can't leave this place now. You'd get popped."

Another double year from behind, and the captain suddenly shouted wildly above the roar. "We've got one of their 77s. I'm sure of it." In some excitement he shouted. "Battery H.Q. I took a look out over the silent, dirty stretch of desert to the far ridge where the Italians were. The dust was appalling. The white rocks were blurred in the sunlight. Flies buzzed about my nose and eyes. The officer was flicking flies from his hands. His face puckered and he talked quickly with eyes wandering. I made as if to withdraw, and as I crawled from the dug-out he was saying, 'It's pretty tough the first time, but you got used to it.' It's been nice having you. Tell the major I think you bagged a 77. So long." "So long," I said, and trudged back over the ridges to tell the major.

HUGE STORES OF WAR RESOURCES FOR CHINA AT BURMA FRONTIER

RANGOON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Stores of war materials including 300,000 gallons of gasoline from the United States are concentrated at the Burma frontier in readiness for the reopening of the Burma Road on Thursday when China will receive new resources for her war against Japan.

Thousands of technicians are reported to be preparing a thousand motor trucks at Rangoon and five thousand more at the Burma border.

These thousands of trucks will carry the material through the winding mountain roadway in defiance of Japan's bombing planes based in French Indo-China.

The materials include aeroplane parts and raw materials for the manufacture of armaments destined for factories hidden in the mountains near Chungking where they have been constructed since July 17 when the British closed the Burma Road in a vain effort to appease Japan.

Road in Fine Shape
RANGOON, Oct. 14 (UP).—The Burma Road is reported to be in fine condition as a result of the \$1,000,000 which has been devoted to improvements, especially the viaducts.

A former police officer of Indian nationality is recruiting Indian drivers chosen especially for their courage and reliability. Three hundred have already joined and more are expected.

It is reported that armed forces are waiting on the China border to act as escorts to the trucks. In addition to the war material, there is a vast store here for building a new Chungking.

Chinese Stimulated

News of the promised re-opening of the road has stimulated Chinese donations to the war funds. It is reliably reported that imports from China have continued without a stop during the past 3 months and essential stores are at present concentrated on the border. The authorities are confident of clearing these within a month after the re-opening of the road.

Rice Shortage In Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Japan faces a shortage in domestic output of rice despite the country's strenuous efforts at self-sufficiency, according to Department of Agriculture reports.

This year's crop is estimated at 17,000,000 pounds of mill rice while the total requirements are about 25,000,000 pounds.

China's River Trade Boats

CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Central News).—China is building a large number of wooden boats for inland river transport, according to Mr. Wang Kwang, Director of the Navigation Department of the Ministry of Communications, and concurrently Superintendent of the Si Kiang (West River) Shipyard.

The Si Kiang Shipyard, Mr. Wang said, has built 570 wooden boats which have been assigned for navigation in the rivers in Kwangsi. For the development of river transport between Szechwan and Hunan and between Szechwan and

CHUNGKING CARS REDUCED

CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—In an effort to reduce the consumption of petrol, the authorities have cut down the number of motor cars in Chungking to 200.

In November, 1937, when the Government offices moved to Chungking from Nanking, the total number of cars here exceeded 2,000. Each Government office is allowed only one car for use by its superior officials.

French War Prisoners Remain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, Oct. 14 (UP).—The report from Paris regarding the conclusion of an agreement between France and Germany to liberate French war prisoners has been officially denied. Official quarters here explained that the French negotiator on behalf of the prisoners is M. Gervais, a Deputy during the World War, who has limited objectives in his talks with the German authorities in Paris.

Chinese Goodwill
CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Central News).—The Sino-Burmese Cultural Association and the Sino-Indian Society jointly gave a reception yesterday in honour of Mr. Tai Chih-gao, President of the Examination Yuan, who is leaving on a good will mission to India, Burma and the South Seas.

Double Tenth
CHUNGKING, Oct. 14 (Central News).—Messages extending felicitations to Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, on China's Independence Day have been received from the Presidents of Turkey, Mexico, Brazil and Chile.

LIVING IN A TUNNEL RAMSGATE DEFIES NAZIS' WORST

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Women and children in Rams-gate, which was ruthlessly attacked on August 24 on the Polish model by the German air force, spend several hours by day and most of the night 60 to 90 feet below the ground.

They have a unique three-mile tunnel cut in the chalk below the town. Open to sea breezes, dry and clean, the tunnels have not impaired the health of the people of Rams-gate.

Meanwhile the civil authorities are still engaged in clearing debris which the raiders left.

"Front Line" Life

Tens of thousands of civilians, chiefly women and children, who are still living along the south-east coast, show an unbroken spirit after four months closer to the enemy than any others in Britain, writes "Reuter's" special correspondent returning after a week in the British front line.

Dover, which is the target of occasional shelling and bombing, presents a busy and cheerful appearance by day as any town in Britain.

The bombing of these coast towns has not been, except in the case of Rams-gate, on the scale that London has experienced in the past few weeks although it has extended over a longer period.

People Hang On

Populations have admittedly diminished by a big percentage but evacuation, which is not compulsory, has never been wholesale. "Cinemas" close earlier than in peace-time but remain open after the black-out.

Hardy British fishermen still go to sea in small boats despite the enemy on the opposite coast. Fishing on this coast-line is highly profitable, one fisherman having caught over 2,000 pounds of fish in one week.

FOR THE 1 MAN IN 7 WHO SHAVES EVERY DAY

A Special Shave Cream—It's Not a Soap, Needs No Brush!

Daily shaving leaves many men's faces raw and sensitive. It's because of the business and social status, one out of every 7 men must shave every day.

To meet this condition, Williams has now developed GLIDER—a special cream for daily shavers. With no soap base, it's a complete departure from ordinary shave creams. No brush. No lather. No stinging or greasy.

A superabundance of moisture is contained in this rich cream. It won't dry on your face. Applied with the fingers, it quickly softens each whisker. A protective layer is formed over which your razor glides. Off comes each hair at the base without scraping. Like a cold cream, GLIDER helps keep your skin smooth all day. GLIDER is the result of nearly 100 years' experience in making fine shaving preparations.

Williams Shave Cream Co., Ltd., London, W.C.2.

MOUNT ASAMA IN ERUPTION

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Oct. 15 (Domei).—Mt. Asama erupted at 5.30 p.m. yesterday. Three heavy rumblings which preceded the eruption, warned the Observatories at Maebashi, Karuizawa, and Oiwake that the eruption might be on an unusually large scale. According to a report from Nikko, there was a fairly thick fall of ashes for 15 minutes from 7 p.m. yesterday and their accumulation was sufficient to stick on an umbrella.

NEW JAPANESE CHIEF IN INDO-CHINA



Major-General Raishiro Samita, head of the School of Heavy Artillery in Japan and former Military Attaché in Paris, who succeeded Major-General Nishihara as chief of Japanese Inspectorate in Indo-China, being welcomed upon his arrival at the Hanoi airport on October 3.

RUSSIA TO STAY NEUTRAL Interested In Balkans

MOSCOW, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—That neutrality remains the corner-stone of Soviet policy, as so often asserted by M. Molotov, is again affirmed by the Moscow Press.

The Soviet will continue the policy of neutrality, declare leading organs commenting on the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo alliance.

"Pravda" recently devoted three columns to a review of a Soviet edition of Bismarck's memoirs and referred to his insistence that there were no historical contradictions between Russia and Prussia.

With regard to Soviet-Japanese relations, both M. Molotov and Mr. Matsuoka have evidenced a desire to bring about an improvement.

There remains the question of the Balkans.

Danube Navigation
Official spokesmen, in their talks with the Press, have been reticent about recent developments there, confining themselves to reiterating a New York dispatch stating that German troops had arrived in Rumania.

The Soviet, however, is interested in the Danubians and especially the Danube, as shown by the Note of September 19 in which the Soviet Government recalled that the Soviet Union was not indifferent to alterations in the Danube international navigation regulations.

President Roosevelt's Dayton speech is published in the Moscow Press without comment.

Precautions
LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A Bucharest report says that Soviet Russia is taking precautionary measures in Besarabia and Northern Bukovina.

\$4,000 THEFT

According to a report made by Mr. J. P. Lee, Hongkong representative of the Ford Motor Co., of Shanghai, 31 Goodrich motor tyres, 31 inner tubes, and 13 wheels were stolen from 20 cars containing Ford chassis while the goods were being shipped between Hongkong and Haiphong and reimported to Hongkong. The theft occurred sometime between September 21 and October 11.

Mr. Lee values the stolen goods at \$4,000.

Bias Bay Landing Attempt: Radio Story

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Japanese warships have "tried" and failed to land parties of troops at Bias Bay, according to the Moscow radio.

Even the use of aircraft and artillery failed to help the Japanese to gain a footing.

Japanese Bombing
CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Three batches of Japanese aircraft, totalling 39 machines, raided Eastern Szechuen on Sunday afternoon, bombing Chungking, north-east of Chungking.

Dramatic Life Story Of Illinois Governor

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 7 (UP).—Mr. Henry Horner, Governor of Illinois, died yesterday at his Winnetka home at the age of 61.

Mr. Horner, who had been in a coma since early Saturday, was known as the "lone wolf" of Illinois Democratic politics and was unexcelled in state history as a personal vote-getter.

He was the son of Solomon A. Levy and Dillah Horner, whose parents were Chicago pioneers.

Horner, a bachelor, once explained that as a boy he grew up with an invalid mother, devoting so much of his time to her that he did not have an opportunity to mingle in social parties and affairs with other young people.

He twice was elected governor of Illinois serving two consecutive terms being the first Democrat to do so since 1870.

His parents separated by mutual agreement when he was four. After his mother's death Horner devoted virtually all his life to the study of law and positions of public office. He became a lawyer in 1889, served 17 years as Cook county probate judge and took office as governor in January, 1933.

Merciful Man

He was a liberal, and rarely ever turned a deaf ear to mercy plea. He granted clemency to the first woman sentenced to death in the electric chair in Illinois, commuting her sentence to life imprisonment. Later he refused to interfere with execution of another condemned woman and he died in the electric chair.

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During the 17 years Mr. Horner served as probate judge of Cook county he was credited with winning of a death sentence against a 17-year-old boy who pleaded guilty to a murder charge. Mr. Horner commuted the sentence.

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A WAITING MANILA'S DECISION

Hongkong Unable To Proceed With Interport Arrangements Until Acceptance Is Final

(By "Ripple")

THOUGH TIME is running short, the situation as regards the interport with the Philippines is still somewhat obscure. The recent trend of events in the Far East has given rise to certain alarm, and with the advice to American nationals to quit if their presence here is not absolutely necessary, American interests in the Philippines are hardly likely to grant permission for others to come in.

A cable has been received by Mr. A. O. Barretto, Hon. Secretary of the V.R.C., from the P.I. stating that the P.A.A.F. is awaiting a reply from Washington to a cable requesting advice.

And so, Hongkong, perforce, must wait too.

It will be a great pity and a greater disappointment if the interport is cancelled. Swimmers and swimming enthusiasts are keyed up for the interport. Anticipations are running high, which is but a consequence of the recent record-breaking Championship meet.

There is no gainsaying that the Colony has no team of swimmers as it has ever had, if not finer, and though it is hardly likely that standards will change much over a year, except to probably improve, the renown of the Filipino swimmers has been much talked about and people here would like nothing better than see the outcome of a meeting between the two as soon as possible.

Several people find it difficult to imagine that Chan Chun-nam could improve on his showing this year, and while he is at the possible peak of form is another reason why the Colony is anxious for the Meet to take place.

The Manila team has been chosen, and is scheduled to sail on Saturday and arrive here at the beginning of next week. Let us hope that the reply they receive from Washington will not alter that decision.

Hongkong should receive information at any moment. It may even be included in this page before it goes to press, so let's cross fingers.

ARE there any further distance records for Chan Chun-nam to break?

Having broken the quarter and half-mile records in the Colony Championships—both of which had stood for five years—he went one further on Friday last and bettered the time for the cross-harbour race, and this latter was a record that had stood the onslaught of all the years since its inception.

That same evening in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. pool in the championship events there he bettered the 5-year-old China National record for the 400 metres by 8½ secs., setting a new, though unofficial, figure of 5 mins. 25 secs. And then in the same pool on Saturday night he broke the National record for the 1,500 metres free style returning a new unofficial time of 21 mins. 51½ secs.—which is over one minute better than that of 22 mins. 59½ secs., the official record set up by Yeo Jui-nok at the China National Meet in 1935.

Chan has truly had a brilliant year. His triumphs have been even greater than those of W. Lawrence in 1935.

OUTSTANDING discovery among the women is undoubtedly Miss Celeste Gutierrez. Her convincing victory in the quarter-mile championship was no portent of what she was to do in the harbour race. It was conceded that she had an excellent chance of success, but it was never thought that she would break the 1933 record held by Miss Doris Hunt.

In this, however, she shares the picture with Miss Li Po-luen, the brilliant breast-stroke swimmer from South China A.A. There was a great race between them.

Miss Gutierrez employed the crawl all the way across, and Miss Li the breast-stroke. Only three yards separated them at the finishing wall. Incidentally, I had heard that there was to be a protest over the race, but nothing has been received by the Committee, so I presume it was just another of those rumours in circulation.

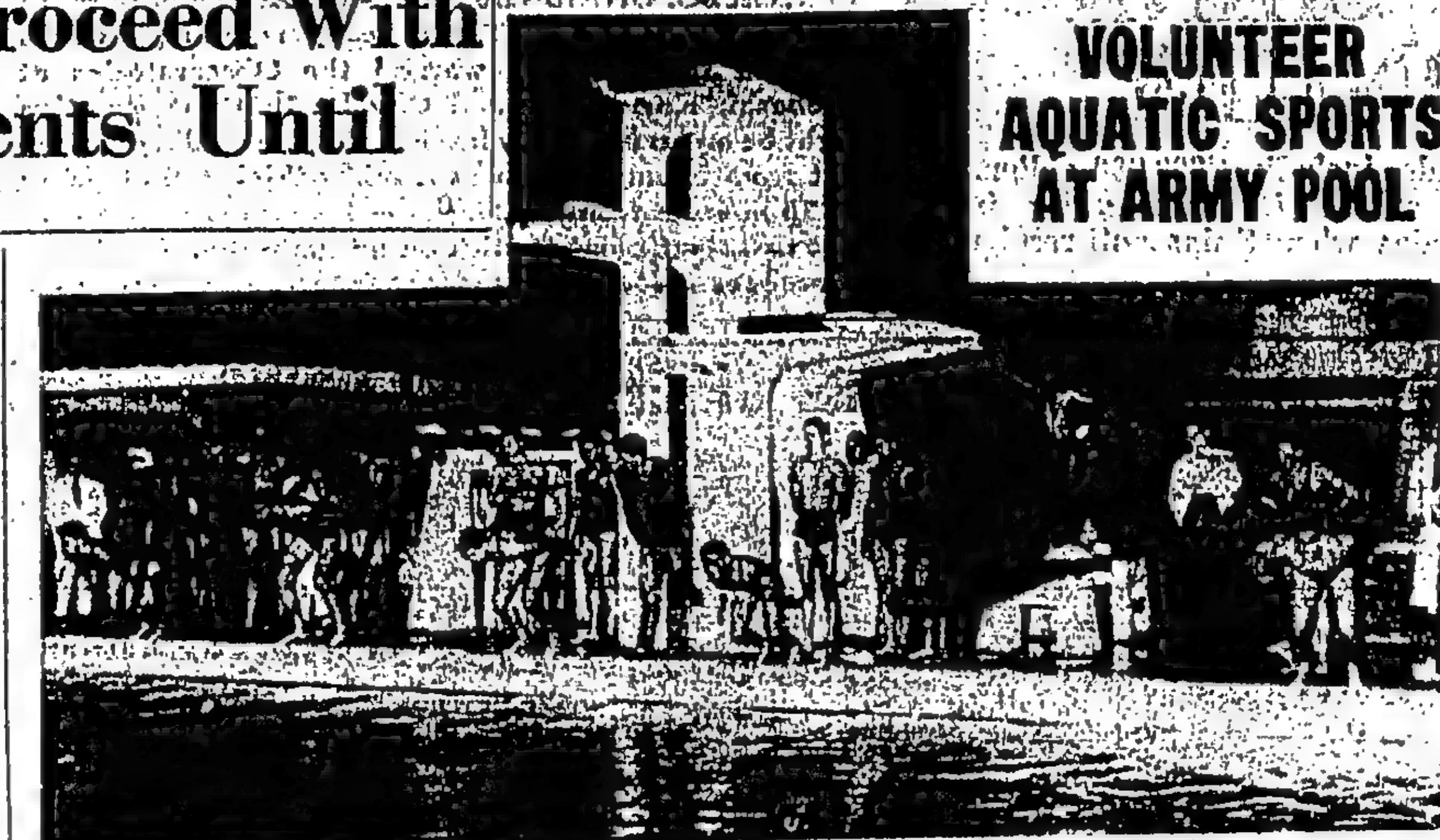
MISS Ko Min-ling, too, retains her championship sparkle. Having equalled the China National Record once this year for the 50 metres, on Thursday she broke it by 2/5 sec.

She and Miss Ho Wai-king have both timed 38 seconds for this distance this year, which time is equal to that set by Miss Yeung Sau-king in 1935, but this is the first occasion on which it has been bettered.

These are all reasons for hoping that the interport meet will eventuate.

Hockey

Eleven Teams In Shanghai Women's League
THE SHANGHAI Ladies Hockey Association annual league will swing into action on November 29 with no less than 11 teams taking part, it was revealed at the Annual General Meeting of the Association held at the Y.W.C.A. recently.
Shanghai ladies' teams, however, will be beginning active play immediately when the Race Course grounds are thrown open on October 19.



The start of the four-men free-style relay at the Volunteer Defence Corps annual swimming sports at the Army Pool on Saturday—Ming Yuen.

VOLUNTEER AQUATIC SPORTS AT ARMY POOL

Effort To Abolish Racing In Rangoon

Tennis

Greatest Disappointment Of The Year

WELBY VAN HORN, finalist in the United States singles tennis championship in 1939, provided the biggest upset in American tennis rankings for many a year, and following defeats all over the country was forced, on his own initiative, to scratch from this year's U.S. Singles championship which was won by Don McNeill.

Van Horn's collapse in form this year has been amazing. Acknowledged as a coming American, and possibly Wimbledon champion, following his devastating match against Bobby Riggs last year, he failed at every tournament in which he entered.

NATIONAL DOUBLES

Paired with Bobby Riggs in this year's National Doubles event, Welby Van Horn literally threw away the match when they bowed to two Southern Californian youngsters, Frank Guernsey and Russell Bobbitt, who won in four sets.

Guernsey, recognised as the latest "little man" of tennis time and again, needing a "big point" came through with his angled soft "dinks" (dropshots) just out of reach of Riggs or Horn, while Bobbitt's lobs, leading to Van Horn provided the deciding issue, last year's singles finalist blasting every ball out of the court. For Van Horn this was the climax of a fruitless year's play.

Emergency Unit (140), Eye of Dancing (161), Eye of Hunting (140), Galveston Bay (147), Gladstone (150), Guinea Time (140), Jane Doe (140), Just in Time (108), Laughing Gid (140), Lively Star (140), Munster (155), Ohio (141), Ojibway (147), Omaha (140), Patricia (101), Pinetrees (148), Rose Queen (140), Royal Highness (140), Royal Wedding (140), Soldier of Britain (140), Stratbarnock (146), Tampa Bay (147), Tacking Master (151), Thirty Six (100), Victoria (101).

Racing

Handicaps And Entries For Ninth Extra

Following are the entries and handicaps for the Ninth Extra Race Meeting to be held at Happy Valley on October 19:

Hongkong Griffins Cup Handicap (14 miles)—Disinfective Time (156), Dupont Bay (158), Eve of Folly (140), Eye of Hunting (140), Gay Star (151), Gruber (142), Johnnie (147), O-Lan (153), Oonagh (140).

Nullah Nullah Handicap, "B" Class, First Section (one mile)—A Great Time (150), Cockleford (140), Contact (151), Criffel (150), Fair Chance (153), Flying Dutchman (153), Franklin (153), Income Tax (144), Princess Clara (140), Springhurst (145), Triumphant Day (149), Vixen Tor (145).

Werrilee Handicap, "D" Class (From the two mile post, once round a lap)—Catterick Bridge (150), Colorado Star (140), Discovery Bay (157), Forehand Drive (140), Gypsy Kid (153), Nancy Lee (153), Puma (153), Quick Despatch (147), Sea Urchin (153), Taranza (157), Winn (140).

Wyndham Handicap, "B" Class (1½ miles)—Aves (145), Dear Claret (160), Blue Diamond (140), Conquering Time (157), English Cavalier (161), Galaxy (140), Half-Moon (140), Hazy Star (140), Eve (144), Jober (140), King Kong (140), Lilber (161), Red Feather (153), Rose Emily (140).

Moore Park Handicap, "A" Class (4½ furlongs)—Amica Curiae (153), Alcock Day (149), Connelley (150), Courting Eve (153), Devonian (153), Lancashire Chips (157), Many Thanks (151), Melody Star (157), Sparrow (153), Tornado Star (153), Vanity Fair (145), Viceroy (100).

Ballarat Handicap, "C" Class (1½ miles)—Green Time (153), Amber (153), Bredon (153), A Roaring Time (157), Cheerful Star (150), London (142), Maple Star (145), National Victory (147), Piccadilly Jim (150), Ruby Star (140), Shuttlecock (157), Spring Shine (153), Theatrical (153), Surprise Again (153), Twilight Star (147), Venus Star (153), Warrego River (153).

Nullah Nullah Handicap, "B" Class, Second Section (one mile)—Ajax (153), Annabella (153), A Roaring Time (157), Australian Prince (147), Brown Derby (147), Bruno (140), Derby Day (150), Double Finesse (140), Pundings (145), King's Privilege (145), Pumpnickel (148), Sea Jay (153), Whirled (153).

Kwangsing Handicap, "C" Class (From the two mile post, once round a lap)—Advancing Time (150), Attacking Time (148), Blue Field (148), Blue Gale (140), Bonas Bay (140), Bronze Arrow (140), Celtic Star (140), Dawn Star (140), 21920).

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Tickets are obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

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Nearly Killed
In addition Scott has during the past few months travelled into Tibet, pictured warfare between the Chinese and Mohammedans in the mystical northwest China and secured the first pictures of the famous Lake Kukur. He also narrowly escaped death when the lorry on which he was travelling suddenly ran over a 100-foot embankment, hurling one man to his death and causing injuries to seven others. Scott escaped unscathed by leaping off the top of the lorry as it was turning over the embankment.

KING IN EXILE Inspects His Loyal Troops

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A silk ring which he had received recently as a gift from Norwegian women in England on his 68th birthday was presented by King Haakon of Norway to the Norwegian forces to-day when he visited their training camp somewhere in Great Britain. Norwegian troops in Great Britain have already for some time been taken part in local defence and have been used by the British Army Command for several military operations. Apart from the army, there are also Norwegian naval units serving with the British coastal defence and in convoy protection. These were also inspected by King Haakon.

Nazi Propaganda For Peiping

"Bombing Of London"
PEIPING, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Exemplifying the way German propaganda is encouraged here, Chinese handbills were dropped on Saturday, presumably from Japanese planes, with a lurid picture headed "German Planes Bomb English Capital." The picture, highly imaginative, shows the Tower of London in flames, the sky full of German planes and the river full of sinking boats. The text at the bottom reads: "Several thousand German planes bomb Britain. Sections most severely bombed and burnt are an essential part of London." Doubtless pointing to the picture as a moral, the text adds that foreign assistance to General Chiang Kai-shek has now failed. According to reliable sources, the French Embassy is shortly returning here and re-opening permanently.

America Means Business

Japan's Axis Status

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—If anyone in the Far East should think that stiffening of the American attitude toward Japan is an election stunt, he is likely to be surprised, according to well-informed quarters here, for it is believed that the present firmness will increase rather than diminish after November 5 (Election Day).

President Roosevelt's speech at Dayton, Ohio, is interpreted everywhere by the Press as a clear statement that appeasement is "out" and that America recognises the danger of aggressor nations being allowed to pick off others one by one.

Japan, having aligned herself officially with the European aggressors, must be prepared to face the same policy from the United States as her Axis friends.

No Bluff

Reports from Tokyo that the dispatch of liners to take off Americans in the Orient has caused consternation in the Tokyo Press leave official circles here unmoved because obviously there is no bluff behind the American policy.

That Japan must attempt some stepping backward seems clear to Far Eastern circles here, for it is believed that Japan's fundamental policy must be never to get into a war with America which must be suicidal for a country so dependent on imports for essential raw materials.

No-one believes that Japan is likely to make any move, either against America or Britain now that London and Washington obviously present a solid though an informal Anglo-American front in the Far East.

Tokyo Changes Tune

Newspaper commentators point out that American firmness produced a change of tune in Tokyo within 24 hours.

This comment made in Washington is typical: "Yakichiro Suma, who had been breathing threats of war, suddenly began to coo for peace and amity, while Matsunaka, who boasted that the 'Axis pact means we must fight to maintain the status quo in the Pacific,' hastily explained that the pact was not aimed at this country after all."

However, it is feared that the Japanese militarists, fearful of taking action against Britain or the United States, will vent their wrath on Indo-China and will completely occupy that country, where it is reported that morale is broken and no resistance is likely.

Indo-China, it is understood, did appeal to the United States for aid some while ago. But vacillations followed and with the best will in the world American aid can hardly be forthcoming for a country which refuses to help itself.

More Bases For The U.S.

In S. America

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—The grant of naval and air base facilities has been discussed between the United States and various South American countries, indicated by Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at a Press conference to-day.

He was answering questions concerning a report that Brazil and Chile had agreed to lease naval and air bases to the United States. He said there had been no question of a change of sovereignty, and added that discussions were proceeding regarding all phases of hemisphere defence and any talk relating to facilities, resources or methods was within the scope of the Havana and the Panama Inter-American Conferences.

Answering questions concerning reported delays in concluding leases for air and naval bases recently acquired from Britain, Mr. Cordell Hull said he had heard of no obstruction on the part of anyone concerned. He added that it was his impression that any delays in concluding technical and legal formalities connected with the leases would not defer the actual construction of the bases.

Rifle Shooting Programme

Programme for the mid-week shoot of the Hongkong Rifle Association at the Kowloon City Tanges at 1.45 p.m. to-morrow will be at 200, 300 and 600 yards. There will also be revolver shooting.

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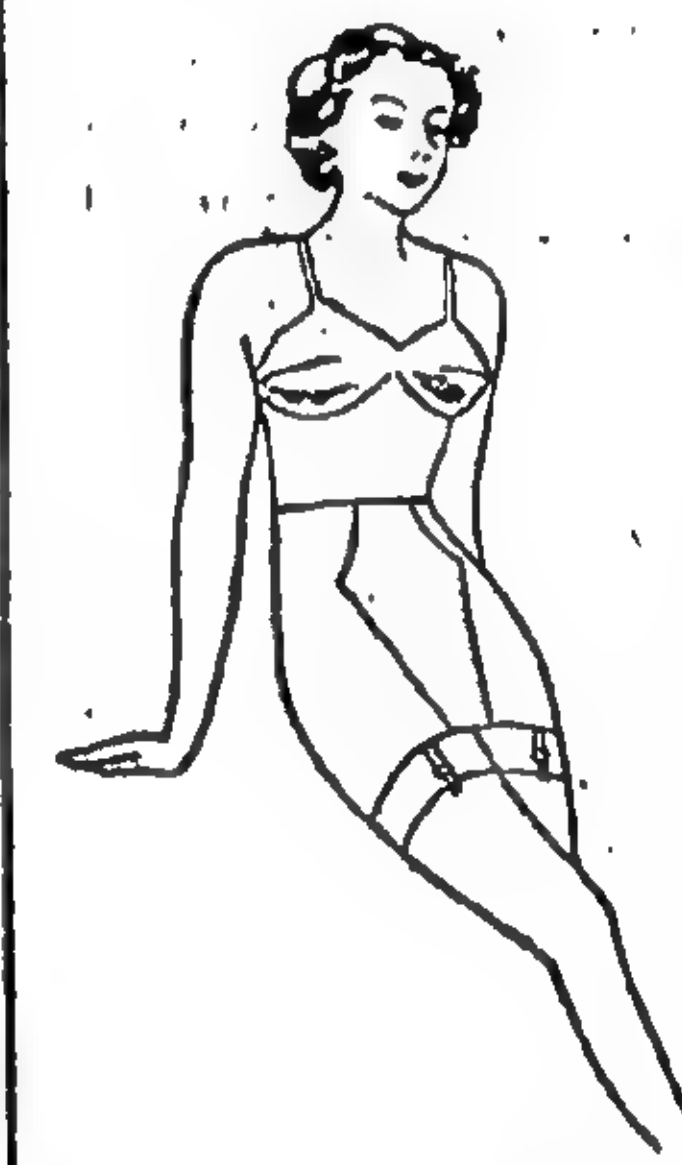
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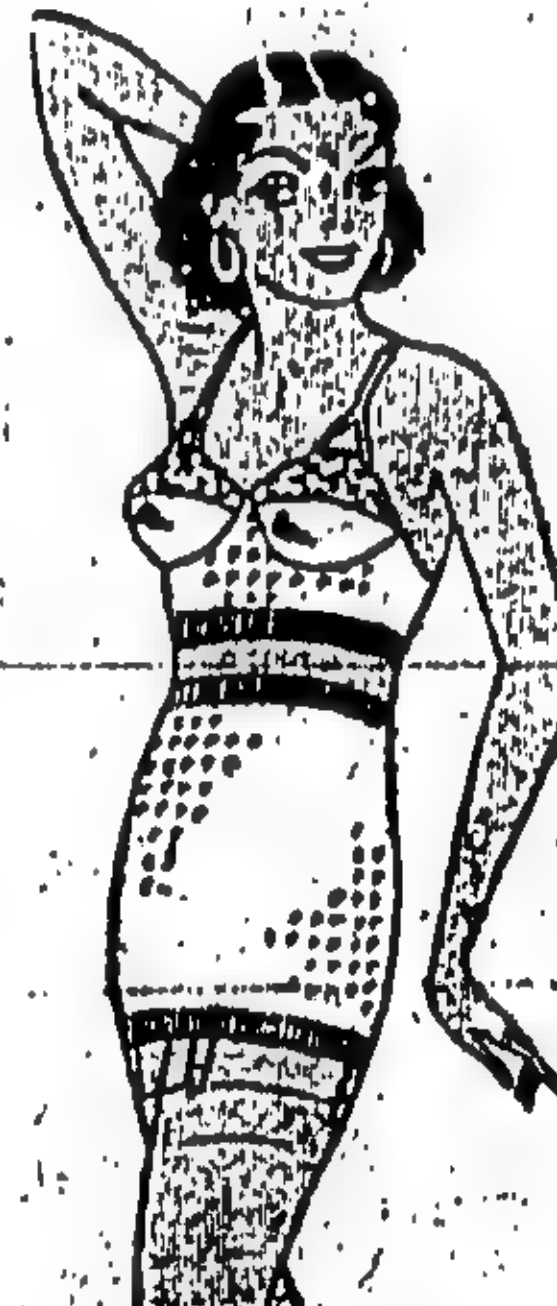
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Woman Would Cut Arteries Before

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advise exemption in your case, quite a number of women may ask the same.

Mrs. Conter: In that case, can you tell me how a number of women managed to get exempted for running the Cheer O Club?

Decision Deferred

The Chairman: I know nothing about that. We will defer our decision in your case to get further information from the Director of Air Raid Precautions.

Mrs. M. S. Danbrowsky based her application for exemption on the ground that her husband would not be in a position to support her if she were sent away.

She was told by the Chairman that the question of finance was being considered by Government.

Mrs. Danbrowsky: When can I get to know about it?

The Chairman: As far as we are concerned we are trying to get what information we can about the financial aspect. I cannot, of course, guarantee anything.

Mr. Burgess: The whole question will be taken up by Government, and there is no question of staying.

The application was refused.

Domicile Plea

Mrs. M. Kadoorie, wife of Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, brought her application for exemption on the ground that she was domiciled in Hongkong, having been born here and that her grandfather had been a resident for the last 70 years.

Further, her husband was also born in Hongkong and had his business here. The Chairman said that the whole object of the evacuation was for the defence of the Colony.

Mrs. Kadoorie pointed out that she was prepared to leave in the case of a real emergency, but the Chairman replied that one never knew when such a situation would arise and that there might not be any ships available.

Mrs. Kadoorie: I am prepared to do any work.

The Chairman: It is not a question of that. Other matters must be considered.

Mrs. Kadoorie: I am not a woman of European origin.

The Chairman: Are you saying you are of Asiatic race?

Mrs. Kadoorie: No, but not of European origin.

The Chairman: I am afraid that that is not sufficient. You are a British subject and these regulations are made to apply to any women in the Colony. There are certain difficulties, we know, and therefore we considered that that is not sufficient in your case because the rules are very wide.

Mrs. Kadoorie: What about the question of domicile?

The Chairman: The regulations do not mention that at all. We consider that in the case of Chinese naturally because entry to certain countries is difficult for them.

On behalf of his wife, Mr. Kadoorie pointed out that they had given the matter a great deal of thought. Mrs. Kadoorie, he said, had no relations outside the Colony and there was nowhere else which she could call her own.

"If there should be any serious trouble," Mr. Kadoorie added, "she might be isolated and find herself stranded which is worse than if she remained here. If anything happened to me here she can be looked after by relatives if she remained in Hongkong. Further, her people have been here for three generations and we have got the Colony's interests much at heart."

The Chairman: There must also be someone who has been evacuated whose parents are dead and has no relatives.

Mr. Kadoorie: I don't wish to place my wife in that position if possible.

The Chairman: My point of view is that we must look for exceptional circumstances, and I am afraid we can't find any in your case to justify us in advising the Governor to grant exemption.

"I maintain that if I am prepared to take the chance with my child, the Governor has no right to de-

Only Awaits O.K. By Roosevelt

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Authoritative circles declare that the transfer of some flying fortresses (bombers) to Britain awaits only President Roosevelt's approval.

They said the British Purchasing Mission's request for long-range bombers had received favourable consideration.

Harbin Americans To Leave

TOKYO, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—American residents in Harbin are preparing for evacuation, says a Japanese report.

The report adds that the Consulate-General at Harbin will possibly be closed following the evacuation which will dispose of the bulk of the Consular business.

private use of it," said Mrs. W. J. Kemp, who sought exemption.

Mrs. Kemp added that if she was in England she would still have her child.

The Chairman: England is quite different from Hongkong.

Mrs. Kemp: A child is a child no matter where. In England, a mother who works in munitions has her children looked after. I ask you, is work in munitions dangerous?

The Chairman was heard to reply that he did not care to compare conditions in England.

Mrs. Kemp: To force us out of our homes is degrading. I am prepared to stay here come what may.

The Chairman: You must remember that you and your child are a nuisance in an emergency. Your husband may be called upon to do defensive work and he cannot afford to worry about your safety.

Mrs. Kemp: My husband has confidence in me.

The Chairman: It is not your husband's confidence.

Mrs. Kemp: We don't like our private affairs prised into. I maintain that I have a right as an English woman to decide what I think is right for myself and my child.

The Chairman: That is all right in peace time.

Mrs. Kemp: Yes, and yet we are fighting for freedom and democracy.

The Chairman: The whole matter is for the defence of the country.

Mr. Burgess: The presence of your child deprives you from staying here in any case.

Mrs. Kemp: What about Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke who has a child.

The Chairman: She was originally exempted. She went away and has since returned and her case is being considered, I think.

Mrs. Kemp: I was prepared to go to England but when I heard of the class distinction and discrimination I decided I would not go.

Chairman's Rebuke

Applause from the gallery greeted this remark, whereupon the Chairman said to them: "Will you please restrain yourself. If there is any more clapping I am afraid I cannot allow you here."

Mrs. Kemp: If I should be forcibly ordered to Australia and Hongkong is blockaded and my husband cannot support me, I would cut the arteries of myself and my child before asking for charity.

The Chairman: That is rather a rash statement to make.

Mrs. Kemp: Supposing I refuse to go what?

The Chairman: I am not going to answer that.

Mrs. Kemp then spoke of a man who was allowed to bring his bride from Canada though women in transit were not permitted to land. Is that right?

The Chairman: I am not here to answer questions.

Mrs. Kemp: To whom can we apply for a just hearing then?

The Chairman: We are here to give you a just hearing.

Mrs. Kemp: You are not.

The Chairman: I am afraid we must refuse.

Mrs. Kemp: What is the worst Government can do if I refuse?

The Chairman: I am not prepared to answer that.

Mrs. Kemp: I am prepared to serve a year in prison.

The application was refused.

Alarm Spreading In The Balkans

FROM PAGE ONE

scattered through Berlin with German marks.

Extension of Occupation.

Budapest, Oct. 13 (Reuter).—It is believed in unofficial quarters here that the German occupation of Rumania will be considerably extended this week.

Columns of German troops en route to Rumania, passed the outskirts of Budapest during the weekend.

The equivalent of the German attitude of Hungary is considered to be indicated by the disappointment of Hungarian hopes that the remainder of Transylvania would be added to the areas already ceded by Rumania at the dictate of the Axis.

The harshness of the terms of the commercial agreement just concluded between Germany and Hungary have also startled Hungarians. This agreement is believed to settle the scale of Hungarian exports to Germany for the next three years.

Naval Mission

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A German naval mission is expected here to-morrow, presumably in connection with the construction of a naval base near Constanta.

According to German circles in Bucharest, there will shortly be ten German divisions in Rumania.

Spanish Opinion

MADRID, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Developments in Rumania and the Middle East are being watched with close attention here.

Spaniards often express the view that unless the Axis Powers can quickly and successfully carry out an attack upon Egypt, occupation of Rumania will be to Germany's disadvantage.

This view is based on the belief that Britain will lose no time in bombing the Rumanian oil wells.

Rumania is openly referred to in the newspaper "Hojas Oficiales Del Lunes" as "collaborator with the Axis."

Turkey Defiant

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Commenting on the German "push" into Rumania, the Turkish newspaper "Halkin Sesi" says that the most important factor to prevent the Germans from even dreaming of a route south-east through Anatolia, is the presence of invincible Turkish forces at the frontier.

The paper also suggests that Soviet Russia will not allow the Dardanelles to pass into other hands.

Italians To Help

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—In addition to German troops building a base at the Rumanian port of Mania, it is now reported that Italian engineers are expected shortly at Constantza to begin construction of a seaplane base.

MOONLIGHT RAID ON LONDON

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singly in the direction of London. In one district very heavy firing was heard when the raiders were overhead. An East Anglian coast town had five bombs dropped on it this afternoon damaging houses and inflicting a few casualties. The raid only lasted ten seconds.

Night Brings Raiders

Within one hour of the night alert there was an almost continuous drone of aircraft over London.

Searchlights in both the outer and inner defences alerted to the raiders' difficulties.

While searchlights probed the skies, guns poured shells along the courses of the German bombers.

Fire-bombs dropped in various parts of the capital caused some outbreaks which were dealt with immediately.

Doctor's Ordeal

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—During the course of Sunday night's raid on London, a doctor was suspended by his heels from a crane which lowered him into a crater beside a wrecked house.

At the bottom of the hole lay a man. Only his head was protruding from the wreckage. He was given a shot of morphine in the neck. He was later removed to hospital and is expected to live.

Swede Impressed

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—In a despatch to his home the London correspondent of the Swedish newspaper, "Stockholm Tidning," says that after six weeks of attack from the air London has been so little damaged that it still remains the centre of the Empire war effort.

The destruction of residences and factories is less than one per cent. He is, he reports, more than ever convinced that bombing from the air cannot decide a war unless one side is as superior that the opposing defences completely break down, which is not the case with London.

Leaving out the more heavily bombed parts of the East End of London, it is possible to take a quarter of an hour's bus ride in almost any direction without seeing anything more than some broken glass and craters in the road.

STOCK EXCHANGE FAR EASTERN BONDS IMPROVE

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, Far Eastern bonds were stronger on hopes of improvement in the international situation.

Glit-edged holdings were mainly higher while home industrial shares were quietly steady. Elsewhere changes were few. Wall Street was firm.

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WHITEAWAY'S

ALARM SPREADING IN THE BALKANS: TURKEY'S MEDITERRANEAN FEARS

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, OCT. 14, (UP).—ALARM IN THE BALKANS IS RAPIDLY RISING AS A RESULT OF THE OCCUPATION OF KEY POSITIONS IN RUMANIA BY GERMAN TROOPS. TURKISH CIRCLES ARE OF THE OPINION THAT EVEN IF THE UNITED STATES ENTERS THE WAR BEFORE 1941, IT WILL BE TOO LATE TO SAVE THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA FROM THE CONQUEST BY THE AXIS POWERS.

MORAL SUPPORT FOR TURKEY

Probable Soviet Attitude

Special to the "Telegraph"

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14, (UP).—As a result of talks in Moscow and Ankara, Russia will give moral support to Turkish resistance to Axis pressure, according to reports reaching diplomatic quarters here.

LATEST GERMAN DEMANDS

Seek Economic Slavery Of Yugo-Slavia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BELGRADE, Oct. 14 (UP).—The German Economic Mission has presented the Yugo-Slav Economic Delegation with demands that Yugo-Slavia should accept the role the Axis has fixed for her new economic order in Europe.

The demands are firstly, that Yugo-Slavia should concentrate almost exclusively on increasing agriculture at the expense of industrial development, and secondly, that Yugo-Slavia should concede to Germany preferential rights on all surplus products.

Russian Denial

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Oct. 14 (UP).—In an official statement today the Tass news agency denied British reports that negotiations are under way between Britain, Turkey, Russia, Yugo-Slavia and Greece on the problem of German expansion in the East.

"Tass is authorized to state that the report does not correspond to reality and is a fantastic invention," declares the announcement.

Property Insurance Bill In U.K.

War Measure

LONDON, Oct. 14 (British Wire- less).—Great interest is taken here in the expected publication this week of the Property Insurance Bill which follows Mr. Churchill's recent statement: "Everyone should be assured that compensation for the loss of home or place of business will be paid to him in one form or another at the end of the war if not sooner and where necessary arises in the intervening period, means of carrying on will not be withheld."

The weekly press has warmly welcomed the announcement, the "Economist" saying that the decision to allow insurance against risks to property is a very welcome change of mind as reluctant to consider such a scheme before was based on muddled thinking.

The journal, however, adds a warning that the Bill will obviously be a severe test of the skill of the drafters and it is of utmost importance that the measure should be allowed adequate time for the necessary amendments.

Bulgaria and Hungary Shaken By Axis Moves

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Reports that German troops are being sent to Bulgaria are denied in an inspired statement issued by the German news agency to-night. These reports are attributed to British propaganda whose "tendency is to disturb peace, spread disquiet and cause sabotage in south-eastern Europe."

The statement also denies that any negotiations on the subject between Germany and Bulgaria are proceeding.

Trade Agreement

SOFIA, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A trade agreement was signed here today between Bulgarian and German representatives.

The agreement will run until next April.

A supplementary agreement covers the German-occupied countries of Poland, Holland, Norway and Belgium.

In future all payments between these countries and Bulgaria will be made in Reichmarks.

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Co-operation With Axis Denied By Thai Won't Help War-Like Aims

Special to the "Telegraph"

BANGKOK, Oct. 14 (UP).—The Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Nai Direk Jayanama today categorically denied that Thailand is co-operating with the Axis Powers.

He said, "Thailand has not been invited to enter the alliance and has no secret treaty with any of them. There is no question about Thailand helping any war-like aims."

Indo-China Surprise Japanese Troops May Evacuate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Oct. 14 (UP).—

Admiral Decoux, Governor of Indo-China will on Wednesday, start a six days flying tour of the French protectorates of Annam and Cambodia where he will confer with the reigning sovereigns.

He will also make a short stay at Hue and Saigon, and possibly visit the Thailand frontier.

Ten thousand Japanese troops from Langson are scheduled to proceed to Haiphong by train on Wednesday after which they will embark on transports, apparently evacuating Indo-China.

The French Ambassador to China, M. Henri Comte, who is now in Hanoi is reported to be leaving for Chungking on Tuesday to urge the Chinese not to cross the Indo-China frontier because such a move would only result in increased Japanese occupation of the French Colony.

U.S. Ambassador May Resign

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—It is

reportedly expected that Mr. Joseph P. Kamp, U.S. Ambassador to the United States, will resign his post in the near future.

Woman would Cut Arteries Before Asking for Charity

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The Chairman: "That question has nothing to do with us. We are here only to advise the Government."

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Mrs. Coates: "In that case, can you tell me how a number of women managed to get exempted for running the Cheer O' Club?"

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The Chairman: "I know nothing about that. We will defer our decision to Page 4, Column Four."

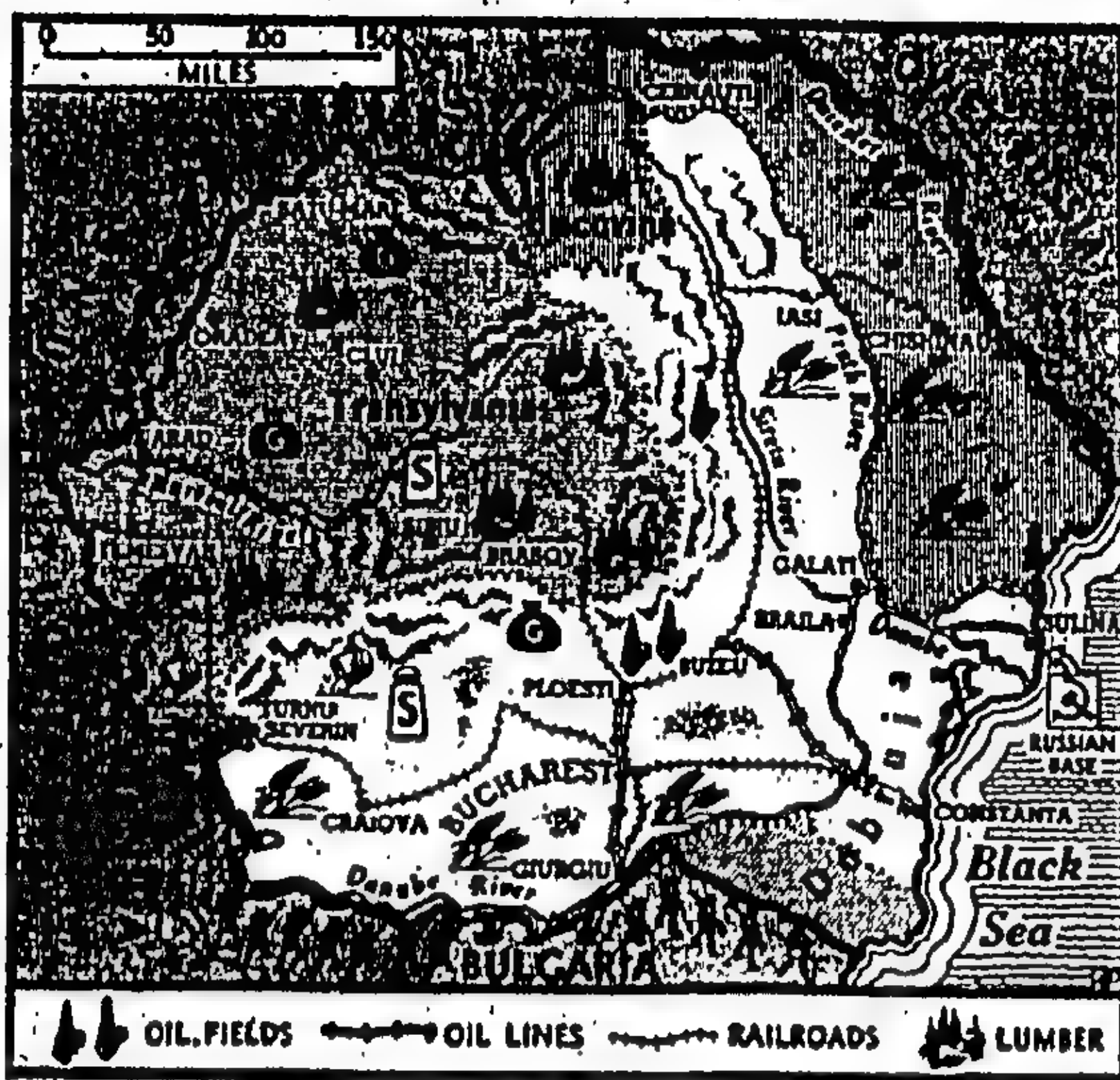
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THE OIL FIELDS WHICH NAZIS SEEK



The above map of Rumania shows the oil pipe-line between Ploesti and Giurgiu, oil port on the Danube, in the neighbourhood of which German troops are reported to be concentrated. The other important oil line runs from Buzeu to Constanta on the Black Sea.

Dramatic Plea at Evacuation Appeals Meeting

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VIOLENT AERIAL ASSAULT

This Morning's Raids On London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 15 (UP).—The Germans are unleashing the most violent aerial assault the London area has experienced since the "blitzkrieg" commenced early today after reports up to 11 p.m. yesterday had shown that 33 districts in the London area had been bombed, as well as 12 in the south of England and one in the Midlands.

Observers are all agreed that this morning's raids have been the most spectacular of the entire war.

Raiders approached the capital and then turned northeast instead of entering the metropolis from the southwest as is usual.

Oil Bombs

The roar of the planes has been unusually loud all night as the raiders have been carrying out the assaults in greater numbers and also flying lower than usual.

The bombers are unloading more numerous oil and incendiary bombs in an effort to achieve the maximum destruction by fire.

High explosive, oil and incendiary bombs were dropped in the residential district of a southeast town where considerable damage was done to houses and shops. Several bombs fell in a famous London square and a factory and church were damaged by fire.

U.S. DESTROYERS REACH BRITAIN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Another

group of American older age destroyers has arrived in England. The Captain of one of the vessels said there were "no incidents" and no German aircraft were sighted.

Another officer revealed they sighted a Royal Air Force plane and saved the crew of the machine which had crashed 25 hours before.

CALCUTTA, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A

summit of 210 British and American aircraft, including the Avro Lancaster, the Spitfire, the Hurricane, the Mustang, the P-51, the P-47, the P-38, the P-40, the P-35, the P-33, the P-31, the P-29, the P-27, the P-26, the P-24, the P-23, the P-21, the P-20, the P-19, the P-18, the P-17, the P-16, the P-15, the P-14, the P-13, the P-12, the P-11, the P-10, the P-9, the P-8, the P-7, the P-6, the P-5, the P-4, the P-3, the P-2, the P-1, the P-0, the P-00, the P-01, the P-02, the P-03, the P-04, the P-05, the P-06, the P-07, the P-08, the P-09, the P-10, the P-11, the P-12, the P-13, the P-14, the P-15, the P-16, the P-17, the P-18, the P-19, the P-20, the P-21, the P-22, the P-23, the P-24, the P-25, the P-26, the P-27, the P-28, the P-29, the P-30, the P-31, the P-32, the P-33, the P-34, the P-35, the P-36, the P-37, the P-38, the P-39, the P-40, the P-41, the P-42, the P-43, the P-44, the P-45, the P-46, the P-47, the P-48, the P-49, the P-50, the P-51, the P-52, the P-53, the P-54, the 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Alarm Spreading In The Balkans:

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settled through Berlin with German marks.

Extension of Occupation Budapest, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—It is believed in unofficial quarters here that the German occupation of Rumania will be considerably extended this week. Columns of German troops en route to Rumania, passed the outskirts of Budapest during the weekend.

The equivocal attitude of Germany towards Hungary is considered to be indicated by the disappointment of Hungarian hopes that the remainder of Transylvania would be added to the areas already ceded by Rumania at the dictate of the Axis.

The harshness of the terms of the commercial agreement just concluded between Germany and Hungary have also startled Hungarians. This agreement is believed to settle the scale of Hungarian exports to Germany for the next three years.

Naval Mission BUCHAREST, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A German naval mission is expected here to-morrow, presumably in connection with the construction of a naval base near Constantza.

According to German circles in Bucharest, there will shortly be ten German divisions in Rumania.

Spanish Opinion MADRID, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Developments in Rumania and the Middle East are being watched with close attention here.

Spaniards often express the view that unless the Axis Powers can quickly and successfully carry out an attack upon Egypt, occupation of Rumania will be to Germany's disadvantage.

This view is based on the belief that Britain will lose no time in bombing the Rumanian oil wells. Rumania is openly referred to in the newspaper "Hoja Oficial del Lunes" as "collaborator with the Axis."

Turkey Defiant LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Commenting on the German "push" into Rumania, the Turkish newspaper "Tam" says that the most important factor to prevent the Germans from even dreaming of a route south-east through Anatolia, is the presence of formidable Turkish forces at the frontier.

The paper also suggests that Soviet Russia will not allow the Dardanelles to pass into other hands.

Italians To Help LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—In addition to German troops building a base at the Rumanian port of Manin, it is now reported that Italian engineers are expected shortly at Constantza to begin construction of a seaplane base.

Dr. Winifred C. Cullis, D.Sc., C.S., the eminent English physiologist and lecturer at the University of London, gave a broadcast talk over ZBW last night.



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B. WYLIE, General Manager.

Mariposa To Take Evacuees From H.K.

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84 at Kobe, 400 at Shanghai and 106 at Hongkong.

The Washington Sailing The Monterey will depart from Los Angeles for China and Japan via Honolulu. The Mariposa is not in the south Pacific and will proceed to Honolulu and then to the Orient.

The Steamer Washington will leave New York on the 19th and will go to China and Japan via the Panama Canal. There has been no decision made regarding the Steamer Manhattan but it is unofficially said that the Manhattan may not be used in view of the assignment of the two vessels of the Matson Line.

Order Confirmed WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—The State Department announced that the Steamer Monterey and Mariposa of the Matson Navigation Company have been ordered, in conjunction with the Steamer Washington of the United States Line, to make special trips to evacuate Americans from the Orient.

San On Return To H.K. SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14 (UP).—Instructions have been received from the State Department at Washington by the San Francisco passport office to refuse passports to American women and children seeking to return to the Far East, with the exception of the Philippines.

The order affects those wishing to return to Hongkong, China, Japan, Singapore and the Netherlands East Indies.

However, those desiring to travel to the Philippines are, at the moment, exempt from the restriction.

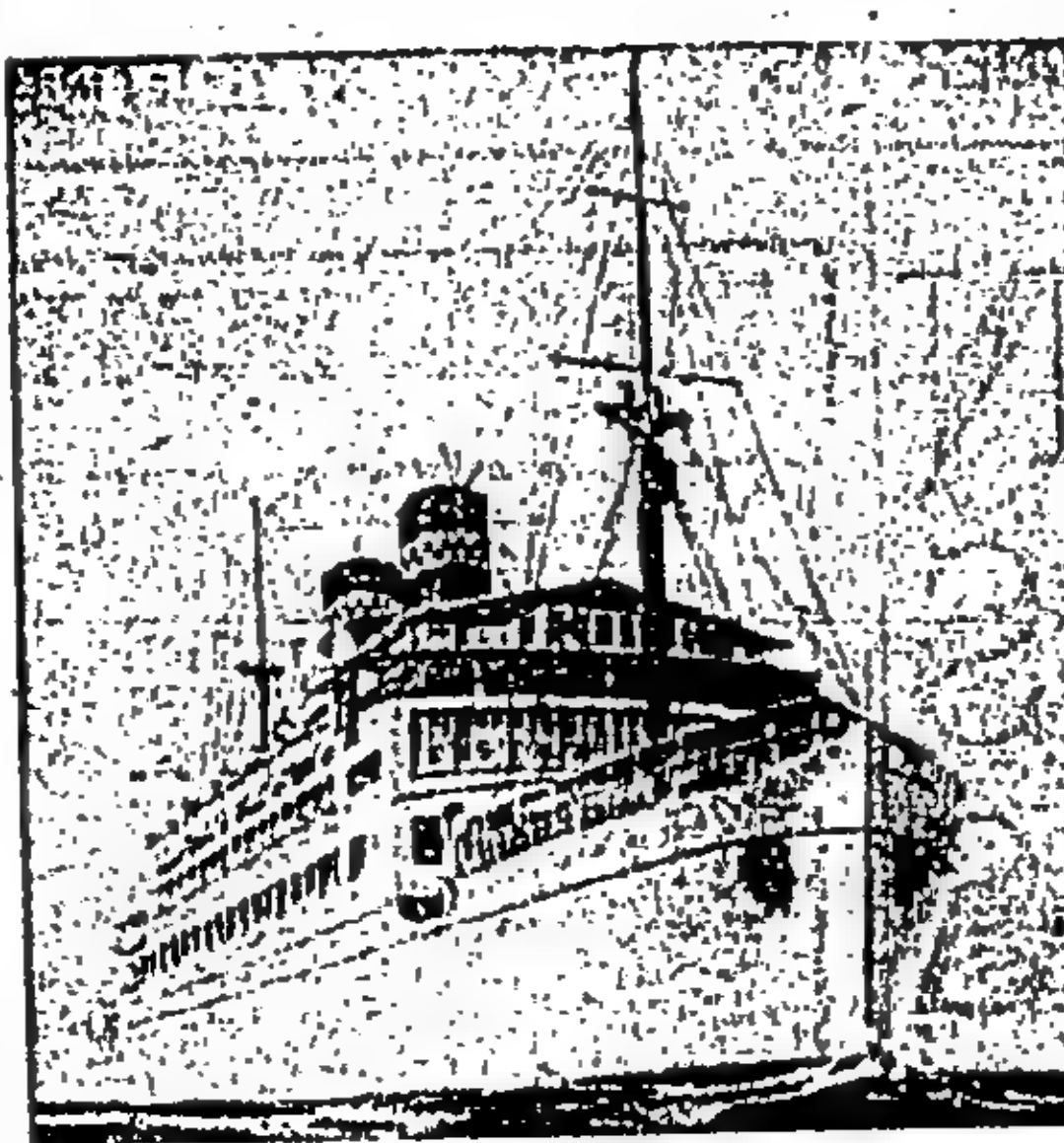
Evacuee Ship For Far East NEW YORK, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—The Matson liner Monterey will sail from San Francisco for the Far East on Tuesday at noon with instructions from the Maritime Commission to evacuate American nationals.

Another Matson ship, Mariposa, will turn back from Honolulu on arrival from Sydney and sail for the Far East on October 30 on a similar special voyage for evacuation purposes.

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"Bombs Dropping Every Few Minutes" MOONLIGHT RAID ON LONDON Slight Activity During Day

LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—To-night's moonlight attack appeared to be one of the most fierce raids since the beginning of the blitzkrieg over central London according to reports during the first hour in which bombs were dropping every few minutes.

Searchlights were busy and the outer and inner anti-aircraft defences put up barrages against the large groups of raiders who were flying high.

Fire bombs were dropped on various parts of the Capital, causing some fires which were quickly extinguished.

Main Thoroughfare Hit Five more fires and a series of bombs have been dropped. One bomb landed in a main thoroughfare. Two whistling bombs were heard, apparently time bombs, because they did not explode.

To-day's raids were carried out on a small scale, according to the official communiqué. They were confined to attacks by single planes which bombed a number of points in the south of England and the Midlands.

"Reports up to 5 p.m. indicate the casualties are few but a small number of people have been killed," the Air Ministry communiqué said and added that the damage was slight except in Kent where houses and shops have been damaged.

Planes Over Liverpool German raiders have been reported over Liverpool and another north-western and a south-western town to-night.

People Killed LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—German activity over Britain was on a comparatively small scale to-day, being confined to a series of attacks by single aircraft which dropped a few bombs at a number of points in South England and the Midlands.

According to a communiqué, reports received till 4 p.m. indicate that casualties have been few but that a few persons have been killed.

Some houses and shops were damaged in a Kentish town. Elsewhere damage has been slight.

Bomber Shot Down A large four-engined German bomber was shot down in open ground on the outskirts of London to-day.

Anti-aircraft batteries opened fire when the plane was 8,000ft above a suburb. The plane went into a spin, dropping bombs as it dived.

A German bomber appeared over another suburb but was driven off by A.A. fire.

During the morning alert, a small force of bombers was observed flying singly in the direction of London. In one district very heavy firing was heard when the raiders were overhead. An East Anglian coast town had five bombs dropped on it this afternoon damaging houses and inflicting a few casualties. The raid only lasted ten seconds.

Night Brings Raiders Within one hour of the night alert there was an almost continuous drone of aircraft over London.

Searchlights in both the outer and inner defences added to the raiders' difficulties.

While searchlights probed the skies, guns poured shells along the courses of the German bombers.

Fire bombs dropped in various parts of the capital caused some outbreaks which were dealt with immediately.

Doctor's Ordeal LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—During the course of Sunday night's raids on London, a doctor was suspended by his heels from a crane which lowered him into a crater beside a wrecked house.

At the bottom of the hole lay a man. Only his head was protruding from the wreckage. He was given a shot of morphine in the neck. He was later removed to hospital and is expected to live.

Swede Impressed LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—In a despatch to his paper the London correspondent of the Swedish newspaper, "Stockholm Tidning," says that after six weeks of attack from the air London has been so little damaged that it still remains the centre of the Empire war effort.

The destruction of residences and factories is less than one per cent. He is, he reports, more than ever convinced that bombing from the air cannot decide a war unless one side is so superior that the opposing defences completely break down, which is not the case with London.

Leaving out the more heavily bombed parts of the East End of London, it is possible to take a quarter of an hour's bus ride in almost any direction without seeing anything more than some broken glass and craters in the road.

Bombs On London SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—At 11 p.m. three bombs fell in a residential district of London wrecking several houses. Two persons have been sent to hospital. A time bomb fell in one road.

Raiders are reported over a south Wales town. The grounds of a Roman Catholic church in the London area were bombed. The Church of the Holy Spirit was damaged and some casualties are reported. A woman was killed and six persons injured when a bomb fell in a nearby residential area.

German Report BERLIN, Oct. 14 (UP).—Well informed quarters here to-day said

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Co-operation With Axis Denied By Thai

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issued by the French Government to-night.

At the same time, an assurance is given that France is ready to ratify immediately the Non-Aggression Pact drawn up recently between the two countries.

Numerous Incident VICIEY, Oct. 14 (UP).—French officials here admitted there have been fairly numerous incidents along the Thailand border during the past fortnight.

They reiterated that Vichy is rejecting all territorial demands and declare that although France had appointed a mixed commission to decide the fate of several small islands in the Mekong river, this commission was not empowered to settle any other territorial questions.

They said that France is willing to ratify the non-aggression pact which is now pending between Thailand and France, and also that France and Thailand had agreed to the appointment of another mixed commission to investigate the recent border incidents.

Rifle Shooting Programme

Programme for the mid-week shoot of the Hongkong Rifle Association at the Kowloon City Range at 1.45 p.m. on Wednesday. There will be 200, 500 and 600 yards. There will also be revolver shooting.

Crossword Puzzle

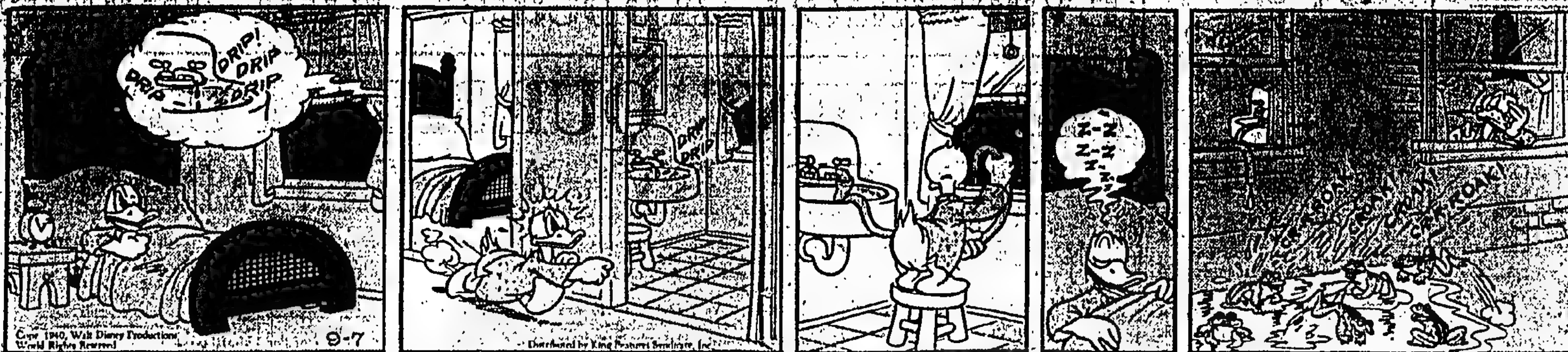
By YARS MORRIS

Crossword puzzle grid with clues. Across: 1—One who employs; 2—Fashion; 3—Large volume; 4—Large volume; 5—Excess and support; 6—One who employs; 7—Fashion; 8—Large volume; 9—Large volume; 10—Excess and support; 11—One who employs; 12—Fashion; 13—Large volume; 14—Large volume; 15—Excess and support; 16—One who employs; 17—Fashion; 18—Large volume; 19—Large volume; 20—Excess and support; 21—One who employs; 22—Fashion; 23—Large volume; 24—Large volume; 25—Excess and support; 26—One who employs; 27—Fashion; 28—Large volume; 29—Large volume; 30—Excess and support; 31—One who employs; 32—Fashion; 33—Large volume; 34—Large volume; 35—Excess and support; 36—One who employs; 37—Fashion; 38—Large volume; 39—Large volume; 40—Excess and support; 41—One who employs; 42—Fashion; 43—Large volume; 44—Large volume; 45—Excess and support; 46—One who employs; 47—Fashion; 48—Large volume; 49—Large volume; 50—Excess and support; 51—One who employs; 52—Fashion; 53—Large volume; 54—Large volume; 55—Excess and support; 56—One who employs; 57—Fashion; 58—Large volume; 59—Large volume; 60—Excess and support; 61—One who employs; 62—Fashion; 63—Large volume; 64—Large volume; 65—Excess and support; 66—One who employs; 67—Fashion; 68—Large volume; 69—Large volume; 70—Excess and support; 71—One who employs; 72—Fashion; 73—Large volume; 74—Large volume; 75—Excess and support; 76—One who employs; 77—Fashion; 78—Large volume; 79—Large volume; 80—Excess and support; 81—One who employs; 82—Fashion; 83—Large volume; 84—Large volume; 85—Excess and support; 86—One who employs; 87—Fashion; 88—Large volume; 89—Large volume; 90—Excess and support; 91—One who employs; 92—Fashion; 93—Large volume; 94—Large volume; 95—Excess and support; 96—One who employs; 97—Fashion; 98—Large volume; 99—Large volume; 100—Excess and support.

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"We Are Not Alone"

FROM THE NOVEL BY JAMES HILTON

THE hill heaped behind, with the dark shape of the Knoll farther still behind, the gradient spinning them into shadows of cold air under trees, and then into the bright glassy moonlight of the level. And after miles of this, keeping a good rate, David began to whistle in pure enjoyment. He often did so as he went about the country-side at night, and if people heard a whistling cyclist they sometimes said: "But that's the little doctor."

So now he went on whistling till the beginning of Croombury Hill made him save his breath, and a few yards higher forced him off his machine altogether.

"This is a steep one," he said, affectionately, to the earth and sky, and then paused in the middle of the road, feeling in his pocket for pipe and tobacco and matches. "But we're doing fine—we'll easily catch the ten to twelve. Are you tired?"

"No, but it hurts my knee a little."

"It's not far now—just through Lissington village and over the next hill. I know all the country around here. You must have been a baby when I first put up my plate. Hundreds of miles away in some German village I've never heard of, you grew up—all unknown to me, all those years—to fall over one night and break your wrist in Calderbury. If you hadn't come here and done that I'd never have known you at all. That's a funny thing. And it's funny still to think that I shouldn't have missed knowing you."

Some German village, wasn't it? Tell me about it."

"It was a city, really—Konigsberg. My parents both died when I was young and I was sent to school—the school I run away from."

"We're at the top of the hill now. Better jump on again. We can go on talking." But at the foot of the hill there was a bad patch of road and crossing it too fast and with the added weight the back tire suddenly deflated. We'll just have to push on and walk."

David said. He took the machine through a gate into a field and partly hid it in a hedge-row. Laid was limping and the Junction lights seemed far away. He put his arm around her so that she might lean some of her weight on him. "Just matter of stepping out," he said, but when still a long way off they heard the train they had aimed for puffing out of the station.

They had six hours to wait—no big hardship on a summer night. Half a mile farther on he knew that the road heaped into a dry bed of broken stones. There was a big elm growing there. So when they were tired of walking they lay down on the turf and bracken. There are some moments that are hung in memory like a jump, they shine and swing gently and one looks back into distance and darkness.

Dawn came—the dawn of the first day of war. He got up leaving her still sleeping, and walked a few yards to the signpost. "Stamford Magna, 2 miles."



"They're killing us—but we are not alone!"

on the wheatfields, wakening the birds. He roused her and they passed on together. It was ten to six when they approached the entrance to the ticket office. He knew that the train would take them as far as Charlham, where they could buy the tickets and pick up an express for London. They arrived at Charlham at nine-thirty and had breakfast at the Railway Arms. The morning papers had come in, and everyone in the coffee room was talking and prophesying. Most of the way to London, Laid was crowded and she leaned her head against his shoulder while he talked with the other people in the compartment. He sometimes stole a glance at the head so limp against his arm, but had been a long way to the Junction for her—poor child, let her sleep. But once she half-wakened, roused by the crash of the train in a tunnel, and in the

sudden soft glow of the electric light her eyes melted to his glance. "Du kleiner Doktor," she murmured, dreamily. "Where are we going to? Where are you taking me?" Then she remembered something he had told her—she must not speak during the journey in case anyone should hear her foreign accent.

They reached London in the middle of the afternoon, and as they walked with the crowd on the platform by the sides of the train two men sprang forward and gripped each of them by the arm.

The little doctor watched the autumn sunlight move over the floor, and when the last yellow bar disappeared he knew it was late afternoon and that another day was nearly over. Presently he



"Under arrest for the murder of my wife!"

heard the Cathedral chiming five, and a warden entered with tea and bread and butter for himself and for the two other warders who had to stay all the time.

According to prison rules he was never left alone, day or night; but the warders were kindly fellows and tried to efface themselves as much as possible. They played cards or read newspapers or yarned together for hours, not worrying the doctor by their presence, though they were affable enough if he chose to join them for a game. They would not let him wear boot-laces, or braces, or anything he might possibly hang himself with; because, of course, they intended to hang him themselves.

The request that David had made, more than once, was to see Laid. She was lodged in the jail at Manchester, twenty miles away, where there was more up-to-date provision for women prisoners. He had not seen her since the trial, a month before, and when he tried to remember that last glance he had he could only see the courtroom, dark at the close of an autumn afternoon, grey figures moving restlessly and meaninglessly as reeds in a stream, and somewhere, lost amongst them, her strange eager face seeking his in a bewildered stare. What had it all been about?

And he didn't know—the whole proceedings of arrest, police questioning, grand jury, prison, trial—all were shadows of a shapeless fate. They let him read reports of the trial, and to these he now gave a half-incredulous scrutiny. He could not really understand. Then he turned to the current papers and read news that was dark with bigger fantasy—Mons, the Marne, the Aisne.

When David heard on Thursday morning that Laid was to be brought to see him that same afternoon his heart overflew with anticipation. They let her come in ordinary clothes, the same that she had known whilst balancing on the back of David's bicycle along the Marland Road. But her face was different from then; she had the little crushed smile that he had seen first of all when he had bandaged her wrist at the Theatre Royal. She came forward, stumbling a little, leaning at last into his arms, as he stood. "Du kleiner Doktor..." She began to cry, and all at once it seemed to him that the whole world was crying, crying for lost, impossible love.

Her first words were: "David, whatever you did, I love you, David. I told you that once before, but you took no notice." "When did you tell me?" "The day I danced for you."

"Yes, I remember that. I try to remember everything—I try and I try—but I can't think what really happened." And then suddenly he said: "Laid—did you—you didn't—you didn't do anything—did you?" She looked at him gravely for a moment and then answered: "No, David."

"I didn't either. Did you think I did?" "I wondered." "I wondered, too." Then he smiled. "Forgive me. How could such a suspicion—"

"But it's really true that neither of—then who?"

"Yes, that's the trouble. That's why they won't believe it. They have to find some answer. And it's so easy to prove things by evidence." She put up her hand and touched his face as a blind person memorizes. "They are going to kill us, David, though we haven't done any wrong at all."

"I know." And he added, seeing beyond her, hundred of miles beyond her: "We are not alone."

"What do you mean?"

"These things are always happening. Don't be afraid of death. It isn't the worst we have to face—only the last. No, no, we should fear birth much more if we could look ahead of it. If there's a next world I'll try to find you in it as I found you in this."

"Oh, David—David! Why does it have to happen like this?"

"Presently a stranger entered the room and pinioned his arms with a leather strap; he submitted to this without word or murmur. Then he saw the Governor and the chaplain standing by. 'Good morning,' he said and smiled at them. They crossed the gravel walk in the chilly morning air. He stood on a little platform. A white hood was put over his head. The noose slipped over it and he suddenly remembered Laid, and her little wrinkled smile, and that she too, at the same moment in Manchester—"

"Come with me, go with me, I don't know where, but there are a few of us, we make a good company already, we carry love in our hearts, we are not alone."

(To be continued to-morrow)

Harbin Americans To Leave

TOKYO, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—American residents in Harbin are preparing for evacuation, says a Japanese report.

The report adds that the Consulate-General at Harbin will possibly be closed following the evacuation which will dispose of the bulk of the Consular business.

STOCK EXCHANGE FAR EASTERN BONDS IMPROVE
 LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, Far Eastern bonds were stronger on hopes of improvement in the international situation.

Gold-edged holdings were mainly higher, while home Industrials were narrowly irregular. Gold-mining shares were quietly steady. Elsewhere changes were few.

Conflicting Versions Of China Hostilities

Chinese and Japanese reports of fighting along the China fronts from north to south each claim successes, mostly over small bodies of men, and no large scale operations appear to have been fought.

According to the Chinese, the invaders are using motorised units in south Shansi.

The Japanese say they have launched a general offensive against Communist troops in the same province.

Chinese Reports
 CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Central News).—Japanese troops launching an offensive on Kwangchi, an important town in east Anhwei near the Chekiang border, were surrounded by Chinese on three sides and defeated on Sunday night.

A Japanese motor column was ambushed by Chinese troops at Takuwan, north of Yankin in south Shansi. While fighting was proceeding, another Japanese motor column preceded by five tanks arrived. The Japanese were defeated, losing more than ten motor lorries and 200 men.

Only Awaits O.K. By Roosevelt

SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAPH
 WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Authoritative circles declare that the transfer of some flying fortresses (bombers) to Britain awaits only President Roosevelt's approval.

They said the British Purchasing Mission's request for long range bombers had received favourable consideration.

Liu Po-sheng in the Tachang Mountain Range.

A Japanese column defeated Hing-shan, Chinese outpost 15 miles south-west of Lanchow, and later defeated 1,800 Communists near Yaw-chang, 10 miles south of Lanchow.

Japanese Reports
 KYOTON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Operating in eastern Shansi, the Japanese Army forces launched a general offensive on October 11, and destroyed Chinese military establishments at Shing-shan, 30 miles south of Yankin.

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THE GANDHI TECHNIQUE

MYSTICAL, spectacular
Mahatma Gandhi has indicated
that he is about to indulge in
another of his fasts. This time
it is for "freedom of speech".
But his objectives embrace far
wider issues. Gandhi has
always had one idea in his head
— constitutional reforms which
would bring India self-govern-
ment.

The Mahatma still makes this
his burning ideal and one
respects him for his ardent and
passionate consistency. The
measure of success which has
hitherto attended Gandhi's
passive resistance has left his
opponents bewildered; but per-
haps their bewilderment would
be less if they fully appreciated
the psychology of the English-
man, who, with his incalculable
or borrowed notions of "Crick-
et", cannot hit a man when he's
down. This, of course, is only one
contribution to the Mahatma's
success. One must also re-
member that he is pleading
a cause which, in these en-
lightened days, commands the
sympathy of the intelligentsia.
What is more, he remains
persona grata with the British
Government, despite the in-
conveniences to which he has sub-
jected himself.

At the present moment
Gandhi has added another string
to his bow. While willing to
concede the righteousness of
Britain's fight against Nazism,
Gandhi and his Congress Party
have seized the opportunity to
insist that India, fighting for
the old order, is not enough.
Gandhi and Congress argue that
India is willing to fight for the
British Empire providing the
Imperial Government is pre-
pared to state unequivocally
what India's position is to be
after the War is over. The
Mahatma has so far received no
satisfaction to this query; Lord
Linlithgow has offered a palm
leaf which Gandhi and his
adherents have turned down.

This latest fast threatened by
Gandhi suggests that he is again
turning to the old technique for
gaining his ends. But he will
be well advised to realise that
the Mother Country, immersed
in a life and death struggle for
the freedom of speech which is
the ostensible object of his fast,
is perhaps not so likely to re-
gard his new threat with that
sentimental horror which gained
for him such spectacular vic-

Evacuation Appeals: Full Report PERTINENT QUERIES PUT TO BOARD BY APPELLANTS

Woman in your case to get further in-
formation from the Director of Air
Raid Precautions.

Mrs. M. S. Danbrowky based her
application for exemption on the
ground that her husband would not
be in a position to support her if she
were sent away.

She was told by the Chairman
that the question of finance was being
considered by Government.

Mrs. Danbrowky: When can I
get to know about it?

The Chairman: As far as we are
concerned we are trying to get what
information we can about the
financial aspect. I cannot, of course,
guarantee anything.

Mrs. Burgess: The whole question
will be taken up by Government, and
there is no question of staying.

The application was refused.

Mrs. Kemp: Yes, and yet we are
fighting for freedom and democracy.

The Chairman: The whole matter
is for the defence of the country.

Mrs. Burgess: The presence of
your child deprives you from staying
here in any case.

Mrs. Kemp: What about Mrs.
Selwyn-Clarke who has a child?

The Chairman: She was original-
ly exempted. She went away and
has since returned and her case is
being considered, I think.

Mrs. Kemp: I was prepared to go
to England but when I heard of the
class distinction and discrimination
I decided I would not go.

Mr. Odell said that his wife was
born in Hongkong 40 years ago and
her mother had been a resident here
for 51 years. Sometime before the
evacuation, she booked her passage
and eventually went to Tientsin to
visit her son who was at school
there. If she had not done so she
would have undoubtedly enrolled in
one of the services for the defence
of the Colony.

"My wife," Mr. Odell went on,
"is an able woman and can take her
place with any to assist in the de-
fence of the Colony." Dr. Valentine
will enrol her in the A.N.S. should
she be allowed to return to Hong-
kong. If her appeal is refused she
will be completely isolated from her
sons, mother, brother and sister.

The Chairman remarked that Mrs.
Odell's case was similar to that of
Mrs. Kadoorie, and refused to grant
the application.

On the ground that she might have
to undergo another operation this
winter, Mrs. E. I. Weir successfully
applied for an extension of three
months of exemption from evacuation
through her husband, Mr. D. C. Weir.

Mrs. Weir said his wife was suffer-
ing from pain on the head and spine,
and produced a medical certificate to
the effect that another operation—
she had had two before—might be
necessary this winter.

The Chairman: I regret we are
unable to say how long. Circum-
stances alter so quickly.

Mrs. Clarke: Why do you evade
these questions, surely you have been
given power to answer satisfactorily.
Or are we to understand that we
shall be given the opportunity to be
heard at a Higher Court of Justice?

The Chairman: We are unable to
say how long. That is not our
function here.

Mrs. Clarke: Are you an English-
man?

The Chairman: The question of
nationality does not come up.

Questions About Domicile

Mrs. M. Kadoorie, wife of Mr.
Lawrence Kadoorie, brought her ap-
plication for exemption on the
ground that she was domiciled in
Hongkong, having been born here
and that her grandfather had been a
resident for the last 70 years. Fur-
ther, her husband was also born in
Hongkong and had his business here.

The Chairman said that the whole
object for the evacuation was for the
defence of the Colony.

Mrs. Kadoorie pointed out that she
was prepared to leave in the case of
a real emergency, but the Chairman
replied that one never knew when
such a situation would arise and that
there might not be any ships avail-
able.

Mrs. Kadoorie: I am prepared to
do any work.

The Chairman: It is not a ques-
tion of that. Other matters must be
considered.

Mrs. Kadoorie: I am not a woman
of European race?

The Chairman: Are you saying
you are of Asiatic race?

Mrs. Kadoorie: No, but not of
European origin.

The Chairman: I am afraid that
that is not sufficient. You are a
British subject that these regulations
are made to apply to any women in
the Colony. There are certain dif-
ficulties, we know, and therefore we
considered that that is not sufficient
in your case because the rules are
very strict.

Applause from the gallery greeted
the remark, whereupon the Chair-
man said to them: "Will you please
restrain yourself. If there is any more
clapping I am afraid I cannot allow
you here."

Mrs. Kemp: If I should be for-
cibly ordered to Australia and Hong-
kong is blocked and my husband
cannot get out, I would cut the
arteries of myself and my child be-
fore asking for charity.

The Chairman: That is rather a
rash statement to make.

Mrs. Kemp: Supposing I refuse to
go what...?

The Chairman: I am not going to
answer that.

Mrs. Kemp then spoke of a man
who was allowed to bring his bride
from Canada though women in trans-
it were not permitted to land. Is
that right?

The Chairman: I am not here to
answer that.

Mrs. Kemp: To whom can we
apply for a just hearing then?

The Chairman: We are here to
give you a just hearing.

Mrs. Kemp: You are not.

The Chairman: I am afraid we
must refuse.

Mrs. Kemp: What is the worst
Government can do if I refuse?

The Chairman: I am not prepared
to answer that.

Mrs. Kemp: I am prepared to
serve a year in prison.

The application was refused.

Mrs. Kadoorie: What about the
question of domicile?

The Chairman: The regulations do
not mention that at all. We consider
that in the case of Chinese naturally
born here, and those who are natu-
ralised here, certain countries are
difficult for them.

On behalf of his wife, Mr. Kadoorie
pointed out that they had given the
matter a great deal of thought. Mrs.
Kadoorie, he said, had no relatives
outside the Colony and there was no
where else which she could call her
own.

"If there should be any serious
trouble," Mr. Kadoorie added, "she
might be isolated and find herself
stranded which is worse than if she
remained here. If anything happen-
ed to me here she could be looked
after by relatives if she remained in
Hongkong. Further, her people have
been here for three generations and
we have got the Colony's interests
much at heart."

The Chairman: There must also
be someone who has been evacuated
whose parents are dead and has no
relatives.

Mrs. Kadoorie: I don't wish to
place my wife in that position if
possible.

The Chairman: My point of view
is that we must look for exceptional
circumstances, and I am afraid we
can't find any in your case to justify
us in advising the Governor to grant
exemption.

Wants To Take Chance

"I maintain that if I am prepared
to take the chance with my child,
the Governor has no right to de-
prive us of it," said Mrs. W. J.
Kemp, who sought exemption.

Mrs. Kemp added that if she was
in England she would still have her
child.

The Chairman: England is quite
different from Hongkong.

Mrs. Kemp: A child is a child no
matter where. In England, a mother
who works in munitions has her
children looked after. I ask you, is
work in munitions dangerous?

The Chairman was heard to reply
that he did not care to compare
conditions in England.

Mrs. Kemp: To force us out of our
homes is degrading. I am prepared
to stay here come what may.

The Chairman: You must remem-
ber that you and your child are a
nuisance in an emergency. Your
husband may be called upon to do
defensive work and he cannot afford
to worry about your safety.

Mrs. Kemp: My husband has con-
fidence in me.

The Chairman: It is not your
husband's confidence.

Mrs. Kemp: We don't like our pri-
vate affairs, piled up. I maintain
that I have a right as an English
woman to stay here.

What Is Domicile?

The ground that she was domiciled
in Hongkong was advanced by Mrs.
M. E. L. Martin in her application for
exemption.

Mrs. Martin read out certain news-
paper reports and asked why the
instructions received by Government
were not in conformity with the ex-
planation given to Mr. Hall in the
House of Commons.

The Chairman: I am afraid that
question.

Mrs. Martin (on behalf of his wife):
Can you give me a definition of the
word domicile?

The Chairman replied that he could
not but in his present capacity,
whereupon Mrs. Martin said: "May
my case be referred to some person
in authority? Please note my re-
quest."

Mrs. Martin then left her seat and
no announcement as to whether or
not her application had been granted
was made.

70 Years of Age

Mrs. T. A. Martin brought an ap-
plication for permission for her
mother, Mrs. E. A. Martin, to return
to the Colony on the grounds that she
had been a permanent resident in
Hongkong since 1902 and that she
was 70 years of age.

Mrs. Martin said that in 1923 her
mother definitely gave up all thought
of returning to England, and he was
prepared to bring an independent
witness to speak of this. On this
ground and on the fact that the
evacuation did not apply to people
domiciled here, her application should
be granted, he submitted.

The Chairman: That is incorrect.
The regulations made no mention of
domicile.

Mrs. Martin: There have been
specific cases where families, though
admittedly of mixed race, have re-
turned on the ground of domicile.

The Chairman: Their position is
different because of immigration re-
strictions.

Mrs. Martin: My mother is at pre-
sent in Shanghai. She has been
there for the last three months and
she cannot adapt herself to the con-
ditions there. She is an old lady of
70 and her health is suffering now.
Whilst she was in Hongkong her
health had been good.

Wife Evacuated

The Chairman: You have evacuated
your wife?

Mrs. Martin: Yes, because I fully
realise the conditions in regard to
children. My wife left entirely at
her own expense because she thought
the evacuation order was a bona fide
one. As regards my mother, she has
no friends in Shanghai, and if she
carries on under the present condi-
tions she may die there. She is pre-
pared to return here and be bombed
out of her home.

The Chairman granted the applica-
tion in view of the age of Mrs.
Martin.

Wants To Return

Mrs. H. O. Odell sought for
permission for his wife, who is at
present in Shanghai, to return.

Decision Deferred

A naturalised British subject, Mrs.
A. Zaitleff, of Russian nationality,
applied for exemption on the ground
that she had to help her husband in
his business, besides having a two-
month-old child.

Mr. Zaitleff said he arrived in
Hongkong in 1936 and started his
own business. In 1939, finding him-
self well off, he got married, and
since then his wife had been help-
ing him in the business. As a result
of the evacuation, however, his busi-
ness had got to the point where he
was unable to support his wife and
himself in view of this, he found
it impossible to continue in the Re-
venue Office, leaving his wife to look
after the business. He was naturalised
in 1931.

The Chairman pointed out that
Mrs. Zaitleff had already been granted
an extension of two months until
November for her child to get
stronger.

Mr. Zaitleff replied that his wife
had intended to take the child to her
mother in North China at the ex-
piration of that period, but the war
there would be very cold, and his
wife would be very old. He asked
whether it could be extended to March.

Alone In World

Let no man put us asunder. I am
alone in the world and my child has
only her parents to care for her. If
anything should happen to me away
in a strange land, what is she going
to do? I cannot stand the thought
of leaving her to the mercy of the
world. I do not wish to take up any
more of your time. I fully realise
what a horrible job you have and
perhaps you have my sympathy but
if this is your duty, I will accept
responsibilities are lighter. I am weary
and tired.

If we are allowed to be heard at a

Would Reduce Pension, Plea

The Chairman deferred decision
for further inquiries until the next
public session.

The plea that if she were to stay
in any place other than a British
Colony, the pension of her husband,
who is in England, would be reduced
by half was advanced by Mrs. A. G.
Jefford in her application for exemp-
tion.

Mrs. Jefford said she had no minor
children and that she had completed
a course on nursing.

The Chairman observed that Mrs.
Jefford's statement that her allow-
ance would be halved if she stayed
outside a British Colony was abso-
lutely new to him. Mrs. Jefford
replied that that was also new to her
until recently.

Mrs. Jefford said that according to the
recent Government communique, per-
manent exemption might be granted
to women with no minor children,
who were willing to undertake any-
thing essential to the security of the
Colony. Her mother had taken a
course in nursing, was quite willing
to do anything for the Colony, and
she could not see why she should
not be exempted. Besides, she could
not possibly leave the Colony as she
lacked the funds.

The Chairman said he could not
advise exemption.

"Speech" To The Press

Mrs. E. Clarke sought permis-
sion to remain in the Colony but was
refused.

She was offered a seat by the
Chairman, but she said: "I do not
wish to sit down, there has been too
much sitting down already. But
before you put any questions to me
may I say a word to the press?"

The Chairman told her she was not
in a position to say anything to the
press, but she proceeded: "Represen-
tatives of the press. Will you
make sure that the account of my
meeting is accurate. Last week, to
be precise, Thursday morning, in the
South China Morning Post, I read
that I asked permission for my case
to be heard at the end of the session.
You know as well as I that I asked
at commencement of the session that
I should be heard before any in-
dividual cases. This was refused."

To the Chairman: "In the first
place may I say that I have written
to the Governor asking on behalf of
many others for Voluntary Evacua-
tion with full Government support.
I have not yet had a reply."

Is It For Duration?

The Chairman: We are not con-
cerned with that.

Mrs. Clarke: There is one point
that I would like to bring before you
and that is, I would like to ask
you for how long are these conces-
sions to remain away from their homes,
if for the duration? This is a very
serious matter and concerns all of
us.

Bombs on Aerodrome

CAIRO, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—The
South African Air Force administered
a severe pounding to the Yavelli
aerodrome in Abyssinia on Saturday
night.

A communique states that heavy
and incendiary bombs fell among the
hangars and aerodrome buildings, and
a machine-gun post was quickly
silenced.

Other South African aircraft made
numerous reconnaissances over enemy
territory on Saturday and Sunday.
All returned safely.

Raid on Tobruk

CAIRO, Oct. 14. (Reuter).—Raid
on Tobruk were carried out on the
night of October 12-13 by R.A.F.
bombers.

Bombs fell on the target area but
it was impossible to ascertain the
full extent of the damage.

This is announced in to-day's
R.A.F. communique.

Dance Postponed

The dance previously advertised to
take place at the Roof Garden of the
Hongkong Hotel on November 1, in
aid of the British War Organisation
Fund, has been postponed until the
following week, November 8, as the
first date conflicts with a similar
event in aid of Christ Church, Kow-
loon Tong, which is taking place at
the Peninsula Hotel.

HUGE STORES OF WAR RESOURCES FOR CHINA AT BURMA FRONTIER

RANGOON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Stores of war materials including 300,000 gallons of gasoline from the United States are concentrated at the Burma frontier in readiness for the reopening of the Burma Road on Thursday when China will receive new resources for her war against Japan.

Thousands of technicians are reported to be preparing a thousand motor trucks at Rangoon and five thousand more at the Burma border.

These thousands of trucks will carry the material through the winding mountain roadway in defiance of Japan's bombing planes based in French Indo-China.

The materials include aero-plane parts and raw materials for the manufacture of armaments destined for factories hidden in the mountains near Chungking where they have been constructed since July 17 when the British closed the Burma Road in a vain effort to appease Japan.

Road in Fine Shape
RANGOON, Oct. 14 (UP).—The Burma Road is reported to be in fine condition as a result of the \$1,000,000 which has been devoted to improvements, especially the viaducts. A former police officer of Indian nationality is recruiting Indian drivers chosen especially for their courage and reliability. Three hundred have already joined and more are expected. It is reported that armed forces are waiting on the China border to act as escorts to the trucks. In addition to the war material, there is a vast store here for building a new Chungking.

Chinese Stimulated

News of the promised re-opening of the road has stimulated Chinese donations to the war funds. It is reliably reported that imports from China have continued without a stop during the past 3 months and essential stores are at present concentrated on the border. The authorities are confident of clearing these within a month after the re-opening of the road.

Rice Shortage In Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Japan faces a shortage in domestic output of rice despite the country's strenuous efforts to self-sufficiency according to Department of Agriculture reports. This year's crop is estimated at 17,500,000 pounds of mill rice while the total requirements are about 25,000,000 pounds.

China's River Trade Boats

CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Central News).—China is building a large number of wooden boats for inland river transport, according to Mr. Wang Kwang, Director of the Navigation Department of the Ministry of Communications, and concurrently Superintendent of the Si Kiang (West River) Shipyard.

The Si Kiang Shipyard, Mr. Wang said, has built 570 wooden boats which have been assigned for navigation in the rivers in Kwangsi. For the development of river transport between Szechwan and Hunan and between Szechwan and

CHUNGKING CARS REDUCED

CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—In an effort to reduce the consumption of petrol, the authorities have cut down the number of motor cars in Chungking to 200. In November, 1937, when the Government offices moved to Chungking from Nanking, the total number of cars here exceeded 2,000. Each Government office is allowed only one car for use by its superior officials.

French War Prisoners Remain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, Oct. 14 (UP).—The report from Paris regarding the conclusion of an agreement between France and Germany to liberate French war prisoners has been officially denied. Official quarters here explained that the French negotiator on behalf of the prisoners is M. Georges Scapini, a Deputy during the World War, who has limited objectives in his talks with the German authorities in Paris.

Chinese Goodwill
CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Central News).—The Sino-Burmese Cultural Association and the Sino-Indian Society jointly gave a tea reception yesterday in honour of Mr. Tai Chien, President of the Examination Yuan, who is leaving on a good will mission to India, Burma and the South Seas.

Double Tenth
CHUNGKING, Oct. 14 (Central News).—Messages extending congratulations to Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, on China's Independence Day have now been received from the Presidents of Turkey, Mexico, Brazil and Chile.

NEW JAPANESE CHIEF IN INDO-CHINA



Major-General Raishiro Sumita, head of the School of Heavy Artillery in Japan and former Military Attache in Paris, who succeeded Major-General Nishihara as chief of Japanese Inspectorate in Indo-China, being welcomed upon his arrival at the Hanoi airport on October 3.

RUSSIA TO STAY NEUTRAL Interested In Balkans

MOSCOW, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—That neutrality remains the corner-stone of Soviet policy, as so often asserted by M. Molotov, is again affirmed by the Moscow Press.

The Soviet will continue the policy of neutrality, declare leading organs commenting on the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo alliance. "Pravda" recently devoted three columns to a review of a Soviet edition of Bismarck's memoirs and referred to his insistence that there were no historical contradictions between Russia and Prussia. With regard to Soviet-Japanese relations, both M. Molotov and Mr. Malenkov have evidenced a desire to bring about an improvement. There remains the question of the Balkans.

Danube Navigation
Official spokesmen, in their talks with the Press, have been reticent about recent developments there, confining themselves to reiterating a New York despatch stating that German troops had arrived in Rumania. The Soviet, however, is interested in the Balkans and especially the Danube, as shown by the Note of September 10 in which the Soviet Government recalled that the Soviet Union was not indifferent to alterations in the Danube international navigation regulations. President Roosevelt's Dayton speech is published in the Moscow Press without comment.

Precautions
LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A Bucharest report says that Soviet Russia is taking precautionary measures in Bessarabia and Northern Bukovina.

\$4,000 THEFT

According to a report made by Mr. J. P. Lee, Hongkong representative of the Ford Motor Co., of Shanghai, 31 Goodrich motor tyres, 31 inner tubes and 13 wheels were stolen from 20 cars containing Ford chassis while the goods were being shipped between Hongkong and Haiphong and reimported to Hongkong. The theft occurred sometime between September 21 and October 11. Mr. Lee values the stolen goods at \$4,000.

Bias Bay Landing Attempt—Radio Story

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Japanese warships have tried and failed to land parties of troops at Bias Bay, according to the Moscow radio. Even the use of aircraft and artillery failed to help the Japanese to gain a footing.

Japanese Bombing
CHUNGKING, Oct. 15 (Reuter).—Three batches of Japanese aircraft, totaling 35 machines, raided Eastern Szechwan on Sunday afternoon, bombing Kiangnan north-east of Chungking.

MOUNT ASAMA IN ERUPTION

Special to the "Telegraph"

TOKYO, Oct. 15 (Demi).—Mt. Asama erupted at 5.30 p.m. yesterday. Three heavy rumblings which preceded the eruption, warned the Observatories at Maebashi, Karuizawa, and Oiwake that the eruption might be on an unusually large scale. According to a report from Nikko, there was a fairly thick fall of ashes for 15 minutes from 7 p.m. yesterday and their accumulation was sufficient to stick on an umbrella.

Dramatic Life Story Of Illinois Governor

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 7 (UP).—Mr. Henry Horner, Governor of Illinois, died yesterday at his Winnetka home at the age of 61.

Mr. Horner, who had been in a coma since early Saturday, was known as the "lone wolf" of Illinois Democratic politics and was unexcelled in state history as a personal vote-getter.

He was the son of Solomon A. Levy and Diah Horner, whose parents were Chicago pioneers.

Horner, a bachelor, once explained that as a boy he grew up with an invalid mother, devoting so much of his time to her that he did not have an opportunity to mingle in social parties and affairs with other young people.

He twice was elected governor of Illinois serving two consecutive terms being the first Democrat to do so since 1830.

His parents separated by mutual agreement when he was four. After his mother's death Horner devoted virtually all his life to the study of law and positions of public office. He became a lawyer in 1889, served 17 years as Cook County probate judge and took office as governor in January, 1933.

Merciful Man
He was a liberal, and rarely ever turned a deaf ear to mercy plea. He granted clemency to the first woman sentenced to death in the electric chair in Illinois, commuted her sentence to life imprisonment. Later he refused to interfere with execution of another condemned woman and she died in the electric chair.

He was a friend of Clarence Darrow, who staked his reputation as a lawyer who never lost a death case on a plea to Horner for commutation of a death sentence against a 17-year-old boy who pleaded guilty to a murder charge. Mr. Horner commuted the sentence.

During the 17 years Mr. Horner served as probate judge of Cook County he was credited with having handled approximately \$3,000,000,000 worth of cash and property in settling estates for widows and orphans without a loss.

When Mr. Horner first was elected Governor in 1932 he polled 1,930,330 votes, up to that time the highest ever received by a gubernatorial candidate in Illinois. At the same election President Roosevelt received 1,882,304 votes.

Popular Governor
In the November, 1936, election, Mr. Horner went on to win reelection over C. Wayland Brooks, Chicago, by a plurality of 38,176. He received a total vote of 2,007,661 to set another record vote for governor, but ran behind President Roosevelt, who had 2,802,989 votes.

Mr. Horner was elected governor mostly through the efforts of Mr. A. J. Cermak, then mayor of Chicago, and later victim of an assassin's bullet in Florida—a bullet that was intended for President-Elect Franklin D. Roosevelt, whom Mr. Cermak had been visiting.

With Mr. Cermak dead, Mr. Horner more or less became a "lone wolf" in politics. He disagreed with the Chicago leaders, support of whom was necessary to insure political success as a Democrat. He vetoed legislation even though it was sponsored by them.

Rich Singapore Chinese

FOOCHOW, Oct. 15 (Central News).—Mr. Tan Kah-kee, Chinese industrial magnate in Singapore, who is visiting here, has promised to give \$200,000 for reclamation in North Fukien, and \$100,000 for beautifying Wuyi Mountain on the Fukien-Kiangsi border, which he has suggested should be a scenic centre.

AMERICAN MADE FILM OF ACTUAL BOMBING OF LONDON

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—"London Can Take It" is the title of a realistic film depicting the aerial bombardment of London which arrived to-day in America by Clipper.

Night after night three young cameramen braved death to take these thrilling pictures of the British capital while Nazi bombers were dropping overhead.

The American commentator, Quentin Reynolds, provides a laconic and dry humorous background to the film which includes shots of anti-aircraft gun in action, searchlights reaching their shining tentacles to the sky, besides realistic sound effects of whistles and the crash of falling bombs.

As the commentator remarks, "These are not Hollywood sound effects but the real thing."

Britain Hits Back
The film concludes with pictures of British bombers hitting their way to Berlin to drop their eggs on the enemy thus showing not only that Britain can take it but that she can hit back.



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Meanwhile the civic authorities are still engaged in clearing debris which the raiders left.

"Front Line" Life

Tens of thousands of civilians, chiefly women and children, who are still living along the south-east coast, show an unbroken spirit after four months closer to the enemy than any others in Britain, writes "Reuter's" special correspondent returning after a week in the British front line.

Dover, which is the target of occasional shelling and bombing, presents as busy and cheerful an appearance by day as any town in Britain.

The bombing of these coast towns has not been, except in the case of Ramsgate, on the scale that London has experienced in the past five weeks although it has extended over a longer period.

People Hang On

Populations have admittedly diminished by a big percentage but evacuation, which is not compulsory, has never been wholesale.

Cinemas, close earlier than in peace-time but remain open after the black-out.

Hardy British fishermen still go to sea in small boats despite the enemy on the opposite coast. Fishing on this coast, too, is highly profitable.

A fisherman having caught over 2,000 pounds of sea bass brought over 2,000

A WAITING MANILA'S DECISION

Hongkong Unable To Proceed With Interport Arrangements Until Acceptance Is Final

(By "Ripple")

THOUGH TIME is running short, the situation as regards the interport with the Philippines is still somewhat obscure. The recent trend of events in the Far East has given rise to certain alarm, and with the advice to American nationals to quit if their presence here is not absolutely necessary, American interests in the Philippines are hardly likely to grant permission for others to come in.

A cable has been received by Mr. A. O. Barretto, Hon. Secretary of the V.R.C., from the P.I. stating that the P.A.A.F. is awaiting a reply from Washington to a cable requesting advice.

And so, Hongkong, perforce, must wait too.

It will be a great pity and a greater disappointment if the meet is cancelled. Swimmers and swimming enthusiasts are keyed up for the interport. Anticipations are running high, which is but a consequence of the recent record-breaking Championship meet.

There is no gainsaying that the Colony has as fine a team of swimmers as it has ever had, if not finer, and though it is hardly likely that standards will change much over a year, except to probably improve, the renown of the Filipino swimmers has been much talked about and people here would like nothing better than see the outcome of a meet between the two as soon as possible.

Several people find it difficult to imagine that Chan Chun-nan could improve on his showing this year, and while he is at the possible peak of form is another reason why the Colony is anxious for the Meet to take place.

The Manila team has been chosen, and is scheduled to sail on Saturday and arrive here at the beginning of next week. Let us hope that the reply they receive from Washington will not alter that decision.

Hongkong should receive information at any moment. It may even be included in this page before it goes to press, so let's cross fingers.

ARE there any further distance records for Chan Chun-nan to break?

Having broken the quarter and half-mile records in the Colony Championships—both of which had stood for five years—he went one further on Friday last and bettered the time for the cross-harbour race, and this latter was a record that had stood the onslaught of all the years since its inception.

That same evening in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. pool in the championship event there he bettered the 5-year-old Chinese National record for the 400 metres by 8½ secs., setting a new, though unofficial, figure of 5 mins. 25 secs.

And, over in the same pool on Saturday night, he broke the National record for the 1,500 metres free style returning a new unofficial time of 21 mins. 51½ secs.—which is over one minute better than that of 22 mins. 52½ secs. the official record set up by Yea Jui-mok at the China National Meet in 1935.

Chan has truly had a brilliant year. His triumphs have been even greater than those of W. Lawrence in 1935.

OUTSTANDING discovery among the women is undoubtedly Miss Celoste Gutierrez. Her convincing victory in the quarter-mile championship was no portent of what she was to do in the harbour race. It was conceded that she had an excellent chance of success, but it was never thought that she would break the 1933 record held by Miss Doris Hunt.

In this, however, she shares the picture with Miss Li Po-luen, the brilliant breast-stroke swimmer from South China A.A. There was a great race between them. Miss Gutierrez employed the crawl all the way across, and Miss Li the breast-stroke. Only three yards separated them at the finishing wall. Incidentally, I had heard that there was to be a protest over the race, but nothing has been received by the Committee, so I presume it was just another of those rumours in circulation.

MISS Ko Miu-ling, too, retains her championship sparkle. Having equalled the China National Record once this year for the 50 metres, on Thursday she broke it by 2/5 sec.

She and Miss Ho Wai-king have both lined 30 seconds for this distance this year, which time is equal to that set by Miss Yeung Sau-king in 1935, but this is the first occasion on which it has been bettered. These are all reasons for hoping that the interport meet will eventually take place.

Hockey

Eleven Teams In Shanghai Women's League

THE SHANGHAI Ladies Hockey Association annual league will swing into action on November 29 with no less than 11 teams taking part. It was revealed at the Annual General Meeting of the Association held at the Y.W.C.A. recently. Shanghai ladies' teams, however, will be beginning active play immediately when the Race Course grounds are thrown open on October 19.



The start of the four-men free-style relay at the Volunteer Defence Corps annual swimming sports at the Army Pool on Saturday—Ming Yuen.

Racing

Handicaps And Entries For Ninth Extra

Following are the entries and handicaps for the Ninth Extra Race Meeting to be held at Happy Valley on October 19:

Hongkong Grifflins Cup Handicap (1¼ miles)—Distinctive Time (150), Euphoric (140), Eve of Fortune (140), E. of Reason (140), Gay Star (151), Grether (142), Johnner (147), O-Lan (148), Oonagh (140).

Nallah Nallah Handicap, "B" Class (First Section one mile)—A Great Time (150), Cockleford (140), Contact (157), Criffel (158), Fair Chance (151), Galaxy (152), Franklyn (151), Income Tax (144), Princess Clara (148), Spring-hurst (140), Triumph Day (149), Vixen (140).

Werrisbe Handicap, "D" Class (From the two mile post, once round & in)—Caterick Bridge (140), Colorado Star (140), Devonian (139), Lancashire Clasp (152), Many Thanks (151), Melody Star (140), Lovely Kid (138), Nancy Lee (135), Puma (135), Quick Despatch (147), Sea Urchin (135), Tarran (137), Winnie (140).

Wyndham Handicap, "D" Class (1¼ miles)—Avon (140), Bear Claw (150), Blue Diamond (140), Conquering Time (157), Euphoric (140), Galaxy (152), Half-Moon Eve (151), Humdrum (140), Jober (140), King Kong (140), Lilber (140), Red Feather (152), Rose Emily (151).

Moore Park Handicap, "A" Class (1½ furlongs)—Amicus Curiae (152), Ascot Day (140), Connicker (150), Courting Eve (140), Devonian (139), Lancashire Clasp (152), Many Thanks (151), Melody Star (140), Sparrow (152), Tomado Star (142), Vanity Fair (140), Viceroy (140).

Ballerat Handicap, "C" Class (1¼ miles)—Bredon (150), Centre Court (150), Cheerful Star (150), London (143), Maple Star (140), National Victory (147), Piccadilly Jim (158), Ruby Star (140), Shutecock (157), Spring Shine (152), Stratherrick (152), Sunray (140), Twilight Star (147), Venus Day (150), Warrage River (152).

Nallah Nallah Handicap, "B" Class (Second Section one mile)—A Great Time (150), Annabella (152), A. Roaring Time (157), Australian Prince (147), Brown Derby (140), Bruno (140), Derby Day (140), Double Finesse (156), Happy Landings (145), King's Privilege (145), Pumpernickel (140), Sea Ray (150), Winford (152).

Kwangsing Handicap, "C" Class (From the two mile post, once round & in)—Advancing Time (150), Attracting Time (150), Blue Field (148), Blue Gals (140), Doublet Bay (140), Bronze Arrow (140), Celtic Star (140), Dawn Star (140).

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Times are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the "Boy" (Tel. 21820).

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Greatest Disappointment Of The Year

WELBY VAN HORN, finalist in the United States singles tennis championship in 1939, provided the biggest upset in American tennis rankings for many a year, and following defeats all over the country was forced, on his own initiative, to scratch from this year's U.S. Singles championship which was won by Don McNeill.

Van Horn's collapse in form this year has been amazing. Acknowledged a coming American, and possibly Wimbledon champion, following his devastating match against Bobby Riggs last year, he failed at every tournament in which he entered.

NATIONAL DOUBLES

Paired with Bobby Riggs in this year's National Doubles event, Welby Van Horn literally threw away the match when they bowed to two Southern Californian youngsters, Frank Guernsey and Russell Bobbitt, who won in four sets.

Guernsey, recognised as the latest "little man" of tennis, time and again, needing a "big point" came through with his angled soft "dinks" (dropshots) just out of reach of Riggs or Horn, while Bobbitt's lobbing to Van Horn provided the deciding issue, last year's singles finalist blasting every ball out of the court. For Van Horn this was the climax of a fruitless year's play.

Emergency Unit (140), Eve of Dancin' (139), E. of Reason (140), Calverton Day (147), Gladiator (150), Guinness Time (140), Jane Doe (140), Just to Time (143), Laughing Girl (140), Lovely Star (140), Musketeer (150), Ohio (151), Offshoot (147), Omaha (140), Patricia (151), Pinethrings (148), Rose Evelyn (150), Rose Flana (150), Rose-Queen (140), Royal Hints (140), Royal Wedding, Eve (150), Soldier of Britain (140), Strath-banchock (140), Tampa Bay (147), Taming Master (151), Tainy Elk (148), Victoria (143).

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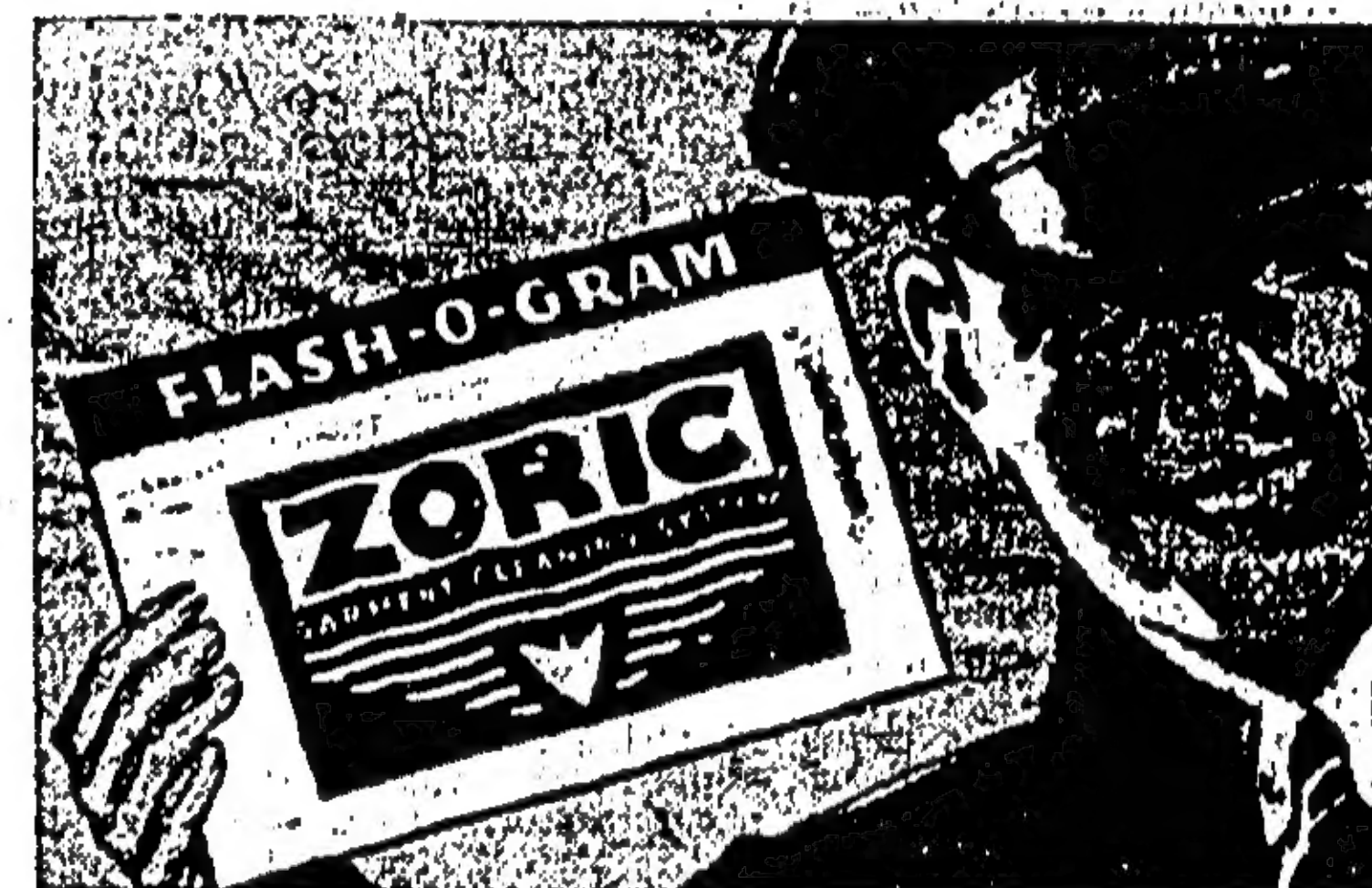
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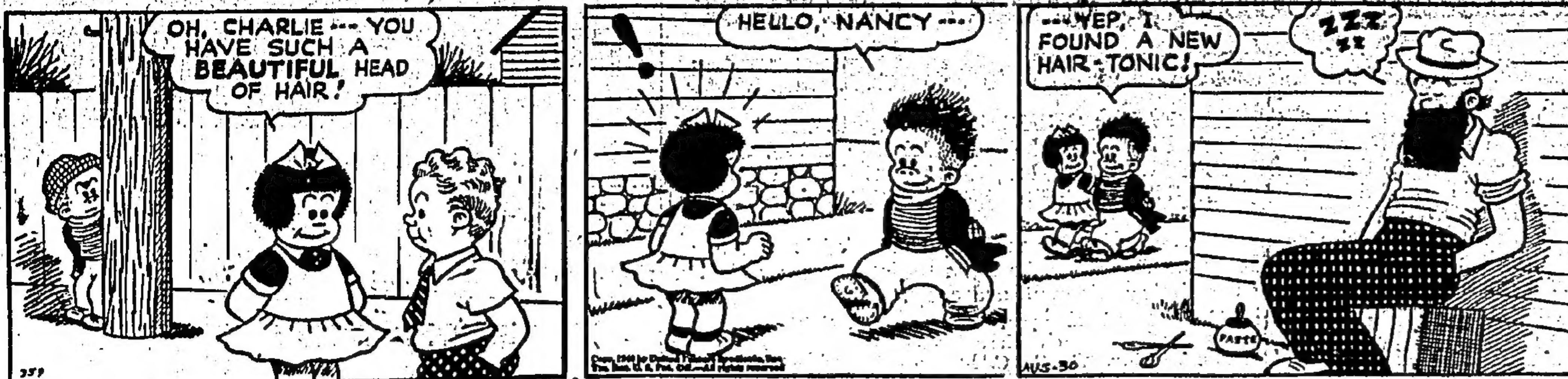
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Rey Scott's Adventures In China's Interior

Back in town after a series of fascinating and exciting pictures in search of new and dramatic pictures of little known China, is Rey Scott, ace American cameraman, whose pictures of the Canton and Chungking air raids provided a world-wide scoop.

Scott sails for the United States tomorrow to show what he feels certain are the most spectacular films ever taken of air raids—the bombing of Chungking on September 19 and 20, described as the worst raids the Chinese capital has ever experienced.

Nearly Killed. In addition Scott has during the past few months travelled into Tibet, pictured warfare between the Chinese and Mohammedans in the mystical northwest China and secured the first pictures of the famous Lake Kokoener. He also narrowly escaped death when the lorry on which he was travelling suddenly ran over a 100-foot embankment, hurling one man to his death and causing injuries to seven others. Scott escaped unscathed by leaping off the top of the lorry as it was turning over the embankment.

KING IN EXILE Inspects His Loyal Troops

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—A silk flag which he had received recently as a gift from Norwegian women in England on his 60th birthday was presented by King Haakon of Norway to the Norwegian forces to-day when he visited their training camp somewhere in Great Britain. Norwegian troops in Great Britain have already for some time past taken part in local defence and have been used by the British Army Command for several military operations. Apart from the army, there are also Norwegian naval units serving with the British coastal defence and in convoy protection. These were also inspected by King Haakon.

Nazi Propaganda For Peiping

"Bombing Of London". PEIPING, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Exemplifying the way German propaganda is encouraged here, Chinese handbills were dropped on Saturday, presumably from Japanese planes, with a lurid picture headed "German Planes Bomb English Capital." The picture, highly imaginative, shows the Tower of London in flames, the sky full of German planes and the river full of sinking boats. The text at the bottom reads: "Several thousand German planes bomb Britain. Sections most severely bombed and burnt are an essential part of London." Doubtless pointing to the picture as a moral, the text adds that foreign assistance to General Chiang Kai-shek has now failed. According to reliable sources, the French Embassy is shortly returning here and re-opening permanently.

Hitler's Volte Face In Balkans

Anglo-Rumanian Rupture Undesired

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Neutral diplomats have heard that Hitler has ordered Rumania to avoid any breach in relations with Britain, and to "begin conciliation."

It is now considered extremely probable that a Rumanian-British rupture will be averted. It is reported that the German instructions were given to General Antonescu with a view to preserving some semblance of Rumania's independence. It is expected that Rumania will now free the five Britons who were arrested last week, and whose release the British Minister has been demanding.

Similarly, it is believed that the 14 British barges which were seized on the Danube last June will be released.

Oil Wells Destroyed

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14 (UP).—Three oil wells were completely destroyed by fire to-day in the Rumanian oil fields near Balcoi.

Two of the wells were the property of the Rumanian Company, Costica Putescu, while the third was the property of the International Company, belonging to the petrol bloc.

More German Troops

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14 (UP).—About 3,000 additional German troops, comprising the so-called training units, arrived at Badliov and Galatz last night via the Danube river. They are mostly anti-aircraft units.

Britons Evacuate

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—Forty members of the British colony at Bucharest and 30 members of the British Legation in Rumania left to-day by train for Istanbul.

The British Minister, Sir Reginald Hoare, is still at Bucharest. Other British subjects are leaving from Constantza.

Another 3,000 German troops arrived at Galatz on Sunday night, most of them being men connected with anti-aircraft units.

The Berlin Press is full of jubilation over how once again Germany has forestalled a British move to seize control of Rumania.

Germans In Rumania

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14 (UP).—A German motorized division comprising about 15,000 men has arrived at Ploesti bringing the total number of German troops in Rumania to over 45,000.

Correspondents witnessing the departure of British nationals from Giurgiu to Sofia report that 1,200 German troops are stationed at Giurgiu.

More Bases For The U.S.

In S. America

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (Reuter).—The grant of naval and air base facilities has been discussed between the United States and various South American countries, indicated by Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at a Press conference to-day.

He was answering questions concerning a report that Brazil and Chile had agreed to lease naval and air bases to the United States.

He said there had been no question of a change of sovereignty, and added that discussions were proceeding regarding all phases of hemisphere defence and any talk relating to facilities, resources or methods was within the scope of the Havana and the Panama Inter-American Conferences.

Answering questions concerning reported delays in concluding leases for air and naval bases recently acquired from Britain, Mr. Cordell Hull said he had heard of no obstruction on the part of anyone concerned.

He added that it was his impression that any delays in concluding technical and legal formalities connected with the leases would not defer the actual construction of the bases.

Minister Leaves, Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" New York, Oct. 14 (UP).—It was announced to-day by the Columbia Broadcasting System that the British Minister to Rumania, Sir Reginald Hoare, has left Bucharest.



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Munsang College Head Teacher Seeks Reinstatement As Trustee

THE FULL COURT OF APPEAL, COMPRISING MR. JUSTICE E. H. WILLIAMS AND MR. JUSTICE J. A. FRASER, SAT AT THE SUPREME COURT THIS MORNING TO HEAR AN APPEAL BROUGHT BY RUFUS HUANG, WONG SUN-YIN AND LEE SIONG-PO, AGAINST DR. TSO SEEN-WAN, LAM TSZ-FUNG AND MOK HING-SHUNG.

Plaintiffs asked the Court to reverse an order made by the Chief Justice in an originating summons that the first plaintiff cease to be a trustee of Munsang College and also cease to be a member of the College Council, and costs.

AMERICA CONSIDERS DEFENCES

Mr. Hull's Statement

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—There have been constant exchanges of information on all phases of the Western Hemisphere's defence from a military, economic and political standpoint, declared Mr. Cordell Hull at to-day's press conference.

The Secretary of State said he had nothing in mind on specific agreements such as that reported to have been effected between Chile and Brazil.

He said any talks concerning bases have been within the spirit and scope of the Havana and Panama conferences and no question of sovereignty has been involved.

Mr. Hull declined to be drawn into further discussions on the Chile and Brazil reports.

Mutual Bases

His comments are interpreted to mean that some conversations are under way regarding bases and, in view of the fact that he emphasized no question of sovereignty is involved, it is believed the discussions concern the mutual use of bases rather than the United States acquiring them.

The Brazilian and Chilean embassies here have declined to comment on the reported agreement between their respective countries. A Uruguayan source said discussions have been held concerning the joint use of bases facilities in Uruguay but that the discussions have not yet reached the final stages.

Huge Dry Dock Planned

It will be recalled that Chile is reported to be planning the construction of a \$5,000,000 dry dock in Valparaiso Bay with financial aid from the United States. Informed quarters here are of the opinion that any such dry dock would be made available to United States vessels and any agreement with Chile probably involved this project which, it is reported, will be able to handle 45,000 ton battleships.

Mr. Hull also told the press that the negotiations for leased bases in British possessions are progressing. He said the evolving of the leases is a highly technical legal task. However, he said he anticipates the negotiations will be concluded without delay in order to permit the construction of the bases as soon as possible.

Y. M. C. A. HOCKEY TEAMS

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in hockey matches on the "X" ground at King's Park this week:

2nd XI v. R.A.S.C. (8 p.m.): Bennett, Killen and Ralston; Heptonstall, Gilchrist, Smith, Banks, McGahan, Spare, Ireson and Bevan.

3rd XI v. Royal Scots (8 p.m.): Fishlock, Jordan and Saxby; Croft, Dunne and Waldron; Spence, Gemmell, Ure, Colledge and Highland.

1st XI v. Kilmarnock (4.15 p.m.): Bennett, Jordan and Saxby; Kempson, Dunne and Waldron; Smith, Gemmell, Pennington, Ure and Highland.

2nd XI v. H.M. destroyer (8 p.m.): Fishlock, Killen and Ralston; Croft, Gilchrist and Gorman; Smith, Dorman, Spare, Grant and Banks.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., appeared for the plaintiffs, on the instructions of Mr. E. S. C. Brooks of Hastings and Co. The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. M. H. Turner, of Deacons, represented the respondents.

Opening for the plaintiffs, Mr. Potter said the appeal was brought against an order made by His Honour the Chief Justice on an originating summons taken out by the plaintiffs who asked that the first two defendants be removed from the Trusteeship of Munsang College, in Kowloon City, for certain reasons.

After listening to both sides, said Counsel, the learned Chief Justice came to the conclusion that possibly the difficulties which had arisen could be solved by making an order that the first plaintiff should resign or retire from the Board of Trustees but should continue as headmaster.

In a case of this kind, remarked Counsel, where the headmaster was a member of the school council, various persons might take different views as to whether the headmaster should be a trustee or not.

"When you have the facts of the case before you, the one man who should be on the Council is Mr. Huang, because it is owing to his zeal and exertion after a period of 14 years that the school has progressed at all."

Invidious Task

Mr. Potter said that their Lordships would be faced with the invidious task of deciding between the plaintiffs and the defendants, for the reason that the learned Chief Justice in the Court below did not so decide or express any opinion. "We all know Dr. Tso," said Counsel. "We know the work he has done in the Colony, and he has set out in great detail the various activities he has been and is engaged in. I do not want to detract from his good work in the Colony in the slightest degree, but I shall criticize his conduct in the trusteeship of Munsang College. This criticism is also levelled against the other two defendants."

No Attack On T's

"I am not making an attack on him as Dr. Tso. We all make mistakes and I submit that Dr. Tso is guilty of the gravest errors. He is guilty of misconduct as a trustee and so are his co-defendants. When I say misconduct, I do not for a moment suggest that there is any question of him putting money into his pockets. Rather it is that he has 'done those things which he ought not to have done, and left undone those things he ought to have done.' He has very nearly ruined the school but for the work of the first plaintiff."

Highest Integrity

"It may seem a hard thing to say, but it is based on the argument of admitted facts. The first plaintiff is a man of the highest integrity. Even after the most searching investigation of the accounts of the school, it has not been possible to point to a single item of money which he has not accounted for in the fullest possible way. Mr. Huang has given 14 years of the best of his life to the College. He has thought of nothing but the school and its welfare. He has worked for it unremittently. If it was not for him, the school would not have existed. "And what is his reward? His reward is that he has been removed from the Board of Trustees and dismissed at the end of July this year with a cheque enclosed for his salary due and a month's salary in lieu of notice. He has been treated as a mental servant."

Mr. Potter went on to deal with various phases of the school from 1926 to 1938, under three headings: The first, how it came to be founded; the second, the work of Mr. Huang; and the third, the activities, or rather the "inactivity," as Counsel put it, of the first two defendants.

The school was opened in February, 1926. Its existence was due to the generosity of two men, Messrs. Au Chik-man and Mok Kon-sung, both of whom subscribed \$10,000.

Referring to an affidavit in which Mr. Huang mentioned that he was appointed registered manager of the school by the Rev. A. D. Stewart as his successor, Counsel said that Dr. Tso apparently resented bitterly the Rev. Stewart's appointment of Mr. Huang as manager. This was indicative of the attitude adopted by Dr. Tso for reason which, Counsel said, he could not discover.

(The hearing is proceeding).

America Means Business

Japan's Axis Status

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (Reuters).—If anyone in the Far East should think that stiffening of the American attitude toward Japan is an election stunt, he is likely to be surprised, according to well-informed quarters here, for it is believed that the present firmness will increase rather than diminish after November 5 (Election Day).

President Roosevelt's speech at Dayton, Ohio, is interpreted everywhere by the Press as a clear statement that appeasement is "out" and that America recognizes the danger of aggressor nations being allowed to pick off others one by one.

Japan, having aligned herself officially with the European aggressors, must be prepared to face the same policy from the United States as her Axis friends.

No Bluff

Reports from Tokyo that the dispatch of liners to take off Americans in the Orient has caused consternation in the Tokyo Press leave official circles here unmoved because obviously there is no bluff behind the American policy.

That Japan must attempt some stepping backward seems clear to Far Eastern circles here, for it is believed that Japan's fundamental policy must be never to get into a war with America which must be suicidal for a country so dependent on imports for essential raw materials.

No-one believes that Japan is likely to make any move either against America or Britain now that London and Washington obviously present a solid though an informal Anglo-American front in the Far East.

News-papers commentators point out that American firmness produced a change of tune in Tokyo within 24 hours.

This comment made in Washington is typical: "Yakichiro Suma, who had been breathing threats of war, suddenly began to coo for peace and amity while Matsuo, who boasted that the 'Axis pact' means we must fight to maintain the status quo in the Pacific," hastily explained that the pact was not aimed at this 'country after all'."

However, it is feared that the Japanese military, fearful of taking action against Britain or the United States, will vent their wrath on Indo-China and will completely occupy that country, where it is reported that morale is broken and no resistance is likely.

Indo-China, it is understood, did appeal to the United States for aid some while ago. But negotiations followed and with the best will in the world American aid can hardly be forthcoming for a country which refuses to help itself.

MAIL SERVICES SUSPENDED

But To-day's Planes Not Affected

Although the Imperial Airways this morning announced that the mail services between Hongkong and Bangkok had again been suspended owing to the situation in Indo-China, the outward mail, which closed last evening left as usual to-day.

The inward mail due to arrive this afternoon is also expected according to schedule.

These, however, are likely to be the last inward and outward planes for a fortnight, it was said. Imperial Airways indicated to-day that they hoped it would be possible to restart the services within a fortnight.

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